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SINCLAIR SAYS

GOERING BRINGING DISGRACE UPON HIS UNIFORM, SERVICE

"GOERING IS BRINGING DISGRACE UPON HIS UNIFORM AND UPON HIS SERVICE, BY LAUNCHING SAVAGE AND IN-DISCRIMINATE ATTACKS UPON THE CIVILIAN POPULATION OF THIS COUNTRY AND UPON THE PERSONS OF THE KING AND QUEEN," said Sir Archibald Sinclair, Secretary for Air, speaking in London yesterday.

He added: "Unable to destroy our Air Force, or to sink our Navy, he tries to reach behind the backs of our fighting forces to break the spirit of our workers and to terrorise London."

Suburban Life In London

THE LATEST FEATURE

LONDON, Sept. 18 (BWS)—The latest feature of the London suburban life is the provision of rest centres by the local authorities where meals and temporary shelter are arranged for those whose homes have been destroyed or made untenable by enemy air action.

The aim of the scheme is to provide accommodation for the few days while arrangements are made for persons who have lost their homes either to travel to those of their friends or relatives or be placed in billets or empty houses taken over by the local authorities, and travel vouchers are being provided for those unable to pay fare.

In some cases it is likely that their return home may be possible within a short period, when repairs are executed or unexploded bombs dealt with.

The local authorities will also arrange for the protection of furniture and property left behind and, if necessary, to remove and store it.

Security Of S.-W. Pacific

MELBOURNE, Sept. 18 (Reuters)—The New Zealand Chief of Staff arrived today to confer with the Australian authorities on mutual defence and on ensuring the security of South-Western Pacific, including the co-ordination of naval movements and provision in the British Pacific possessions of bases for supplies and refuelling.

A number of Australian yachtsmen and fishermen are going to Britain to assist the guarding of coastal waters, it is announced by the Navy Office today.

RIBBENTROP ON VISIT TO ROME

BERLIN, Sept. 18 (Reuters)—The official News Agency announces that Herr von Ribbentrop has left Berlin this morning on a short visit to Rome.

Leadership Of Gandhi Unlikely To Ensure Non-Violent Action

TRAVANCORE, Sept. 18 (Reuters)—Referring to Mr. Gandhi's intention to insist on freedom of speech concerning India's participation in the war when he meets the Viceroy, Sir C. P. Ramaswami Aiyar Dewan of Travancore, said that he was sure Gandhi's followers could not keep within bounds in the matter of preaching and working against the participation in the war.

This was so, he said, because the Congress attitude was bound to evoke strong opposition in many quarters having regard to this critical juncture in the British and Indian history.

Gandhi's leadership, he added, had not ensured and was unlikely in future to ensure any non-violent action on the part of the multitude.

CIVIL DISOBEDIENCE SUSPENDED

BOMBAY, Sept. 18 (Reuters)—Congress has suspended civil disobedience, pending definite instructions from Mr. Gandhi.

A resolution, to this effect, passed by the Working Committee, adds that Mr. Gandhi considers the suspension is indispensable in

view of his forthcoming interview with the Viceroy and as a "short course of obedience to the law before a recourse to civil disobedience" should that become necessary.

Congress circles point out that Mr. Gandhi's instructions are

meant specially for members of Congress in the United Provinces where large numbers of Congress volunteers have hitherto courted arrest by disobeying the Government of India's ban on the practice of military drill by unofficial organisations.

A SEARCHLIGHT UNIT IN ACTION



A graphic picture of one of London's searchlight units in action. In the foreground is silhouetted the sound locator by which the beam of light is directed to the target.

BOMBER COMMAND PLANES LAYING MINES NIGHTLY IN NAZI-OCCUPIED HARBOURS

Thousands Of Tons Of Shipping Known To Have Been Destroyed

LONDON, SEPT. 18 (BRITISH WIRELESS)—NIGHT AFTER NIGHT, IN EVERY KIND OF WEATHER, AIRCRAFT OF THE BOMBER COMMAND HAVE BEEN LAYING MINES IN ENEMY-OCCUPIED HARBOURS AND TERRITORIAL WATERS, STRETCHING FROM THE NORWEGIAN COAST TO THE BAY OF BISCAY.

Since the first mine was laid by the R.A.F. in May, hundreds of thousands of miles have been flown by the aircraft. More than 30 separated minefields have now been laid and it is known that thousands of tons of enemy shipping have been destroyed in these minefields.

Some of these mines have been laid within a stone's throw of the quayside in some of the enemy harbours and the enemy has not been able to prevent their being laid at will even in strictly preserved and heavily defended waters.

Damage To One Day's Consumption

LONDON, Sept. 18 (Reuters)—The maximum damage to Britain's food supplies from the recent air raids has been one day's consumption of one particular commodity, Lord Woolton, the Minister of Food, stated today.

At the beginning of these ten days or so, it was quite obvious, he said, that the attack was being made on food supplies.

For the most part, damage has not been more than could be made up, it is the population said, "We will put this right by going without one meal," Lord Woolton said.

He has asked local authorities to establish communal kitchens for the people who are not destitute, but forced to leave their homes owing to the raids.

Before the first mine was laid, the crews chosen to do this work were given a thorough training. They made long reconnaissance flights over the area and became familiar with the routes and peculiarities of various coast lines.

That minefields have been laid at with only one or two losses in aircraft is a high tribute to the skill of navigators and the tenacity of the pilots. Besides carrying mines, the aircraft engaged in these expeditions also carry bombs in case an enemy supply ship might be met.

DIRECT HIT

Two nights ago, the captain of one of the aircraft reported on his return that he had bombed a supply ship of about 7,000 tons. "My navigator," he said, "was certain that a direct hit was obtained and that the vessel sank."

On the same night, an enemy tanker was attacked with two high explosive bombs and afterwards machine-gunned. The first bomb scored a direct hit on the after part of the ship while the second missed the vessel by ten yards. Though the actual end was not observed, the ship was obviously damaged and forced to stop.

Incidents such as these, says an Air Ministry bulletin, help to relieve the monotony of the sea crossing, but the crews engaged in these operations know that their main job is mine laying, and nothing is allowed to divert them from it.

R.A.F. BOMBERS OVER GERMANY

NEW YORK, Sept. 18 (Reuters)—A Berlin report to the NEW YORK TIMES states that several R. A. F. bombers were over Germany last night.

It is claimed that one was shot down.

Netherlands' Contribution To Fund

LONDON, Sept. 18 (Reuters)—The Dutch Anep Agency states the Netherlands Government has decided to offer a contribution of £50,000 to the Lord Mayor's Fund for the relief of London's air raid victims.

"In this way," says the Anep "the Netherlands Government want to express their deep sympathies with the victims of the German air raids as well as their admiration for the splendid manner in which the London population is standing up to the ordeal."

The Prime Minister of the Netherlands, Professor P. S. Gerbrandy and the Minister for the Colonies and Finance, C. M. W. de Meester are to be received by the Lord Mayor for the purpose of handing over the Netherlands Government's contribution.

F.M.S. DONATION

LONDON, Sept. 18 (Reuters)—The Governments of the Federated Malay States and the Straits Settlement, has each donated £10,000 towards the Fund to assist the victims of the German air raids in Britain.

BRITAIN AND MEXICO

MEXICO CITY, Sept. 18 (Reuters)—President Cardenas stated the Government has been indirectly approached to resume diplomatic relations with Britain.

This step will be inconvenient as Mexico is spiritually on the side of the Democracies in the European conflict.

J. M. KEYNES SAYS

FINANCIAL, ECONOMIC STRENGTH OF BRITAIN NOT YET BEEN TOUCHED

"MUCH GREATER ECONOMIC SACRIFICES MAY BE IN STORE FOR US, BUT THE FINANCIAL AND ECONOMIC STRENGTH OF GREAT BRITAIN HAS NOT YET BEEN TOUCHED," said Mr. James M. Keynes, the well-known economist, when he broadcast from Daventry last night in the series "Matters of Moment."

Mr. Keynes stated that, after a year of war, it would be well to take stock of how Britain's finances stood and added that he would be careful to say only what he was sure of and what he could substantiate.

"What has been the effect of a year of destructive war on the country's national wealth?" asked Mr. Keynes.

Britain's losses, he said, included a million-and-a-half tons of shipping sunk, buildings destroyed from the air and certain other liquid assets.

On the other hand, Britain's reserves of foodstuffs and other commodities had, far from being diminished, actually increased and the total loss of wealth was not greater than the amount by which they had increased it in the two or three years before the war.

"Great Britain is richer in national wealth today than she was in 1937," declared Mr. Keynes, "and when we think of the future, it is worth mentioning that our economic strength is only now beginning to show."

SHIPPING LOSSES

Britain's losses in shipping, went on Mr. Keynes, was far from negligible, but this loss was not beyond the capacity of the country to build new ships in a single year. By the end of July, the total damage, to property during the previous eleven months could have been made good in a couple of days by the country's peacetime programme.

"An accurate estimate of the damage to London shows that it is far less severe, taking London as a whole," said Mr. Keynes. "How small this damage is can be seen."

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The Meaning Of Crown

STRIKING U.S. TRIBUTE

NEW YORK, Sept. 18 (Reuters)—A striking tribute to the meaning of Crown in Great Britain, is paid by the American columnist, E. Jones, writing in the LOUISVILLE COURIER JOURNAL on the subject of the King's visit to the raided areas.

Quoting a comment of a London woman who pointed out that the King walked unguarded, the writer says: "She hit the Nazi on the head."

"In a land where a monarch does not need an armoured car and can take taxis if he chooses, freedom is real and democracy is something more than a word for politicians to trade with."

"The Royal family is not a sham, but a vital part of what is cherished. Its traditions are part of the greatness of the story that does not propose to take its last chapter from Hitler."

GEN. WINKELMAN DEAD

BATAVIA, Sept. 18 (Reuters)—It is reliably reported that the former Commander-in-Chief of the Dutch Army, General Winkelman, has died in Berlin.

TERRIFIC BATTLE HIGH ABOVE THAMES ESTUARY

LONDON, SEPT. 18 (REUTERS)—FLYING FROM ALL DIRECTIONS UP THE THAMES ESTUARY TOWARDS LONDON during the third air raid today, several formations of German planes were located by the anti-aircraft gunners.

The German formations were split and the British fighters attacked. There ensued a terrific battle high in the sky out of sight of ground watchers.

Some bombs were dropped during the encounter.

The raiders appeared to be nearly all Messerschmitt 109s, indicating that the bombers had large escorts.

So far two of these raiders are believed to have been shot down by British fighters.

It now appears that the German raiders have been turned back by British fighters.

The "all clear" was sounded at 1.27 p.m.

ANOTHER BATTLE

During the fifth current air raid of the day, another battle over the Thames Estuary was indicated by the weaving of exhaust fumes high in the sky.

Watchers stated that a large number of planes were visible. Six German planes were reported to have been shot down in a whirlwind battle over the coast, early this afternoon.

These were machines attempting to cross the coast on their way to London.

LONDON, Sept. 18 (BWS)—During the recent raids on London, a bomb fell on the lawn of Westminster Abbey, causing a small crater but doing no damage to the Abbey.

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In the World of Sports

ROYAL H.K. YACHT CLUB ANNUAL MEETING

Lengthy Negotiations For Transfer To Kellett Island

A DETAILED EXPLANATION OF THE TRANSFER OF THE ROYAL HONGKONG YACHT CLUB TO KELLETT ISLAND was given by the retiring Commodore of the Club, Mr. E. Cock, M.B.E., when presiding at the annual general meeting yesterday afternoon.

After referring to the expenditure, Mr. Cock said that on the asset side of the balance sheet they had a magnificent Club house.

In the course of his address, Mr. Cock said:—Members will probably remember that they decided at an extraordinary general meeting held on June 2, 1939, to borrow and build up to the limit. I did not think it prudent at the time to do this and from appearances it is likely that time will prove me to be wrong.

It is certainly not fair to judge the position today when our effective membership is reduced by the numbers of members and subscribers who are on active or volunteer service, neither is there any doubt that if we had not launched out at the time we would not be able to do so at least for some time after the War.

Moreover, although we have, in total cost, somewhat exceeded the estimate it is due, principally, to the fact that things like fittings had gone up before we were ready to place the orders. There again no time was lost and we were pressed onward by the fact that Government were in urgent need of the old Club house.

ONLY THREE MONTHS As a matter of fact we had to shift over very much in advance and it has only been possible to make full use of the Club for little more than three months. Many of the extra costs have been

offset by savings, some expenditure was not foreseen and so far as I can make it out the final result works out at a very moderate figure per head of the membership while the agreed amount to be borrowed is, as you will observe, not yet reached.

I have dealt with this at some length so that members may get a balanced view of the position. On the asset side we have this magnificent Club house of which the situation and amenities compare most favourably with any elsewhere. The change in the Club is one to which we will take a little time to adjust ourselves, at least some of us old die-hards will, but the elements making for success are here and the happier results to be expected when happier times return appear to me to be certain to come.

HEART'S DESIRE Kellett Island has been our heart's desire for many years, we have been looking towards it for probably the last twenty and I myself as Commodore have approached five Governors or Acting Governors while other Commodores before me have added to that score and included some Admirals, Generals and Commodores as well.

I remember with gratitude that the final say was that of Sir Geoffrey Northcote who by his affirmation has also rendered possible a tribute to Captain Kellett, a naval explorer who gave his name to the Island, now and I hope for all time dedicated to and to be enjoyed by amateur sailors and other members of the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club.

I have indicated by what I have just said that negotiations have taken some time. You will be able to see for yourself that, having regard to what has been done, the transfer has not taken too much time and this has been due to a very large extent to the willing efforts of Committees and especially the various Honorary Secretaries.

TRIBUTE TO SECRETARY In this connexion I must once more pay a tribute to Mr. Sedgwick for his never flagging energy. I thank you for the honour you conferred on me last year in electing me as Commodore of the Club for the third time. Although, latterly I have not had the time to give to the Club's interests that I would have liked I have always tried to bind members together in friendliness, an easy task among good fellows. I regret to say that some we shall never see again and this Club is the poorer by their loss. Many are still carrying on by land, sea and undersea and by air and it is our earnest wish that they do so with fortitude and in strength.

OFFICE BEARERS The report and accounts having been duly adopted, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:—

Commodore: N. V. A. Croucher; Vice-Commodore: G. G. Wood; Rear-Commodore: H.E. Maj.-Gen. A. E. Grasett; Hon. Secretary: J. Fleming.

COMMITTEES

General: Comdr. R. H. E. Johnston, R.N., Hon. Mr. A. L. Shields, Capt. G. E. Neve, R. J. Minnit, J. E. Potter, G. J. P. Carey, F. M. Thompson and A. G. Dalziel. Sailing: Hon. Mr. A. L. Shields, Comdr. R. H. E. Johnston, Capt. G. E. Neve, J. V. Minnit, L. Garner, Capt. J. Krogh Moe, S. Berg, T. C. Fairburn, P. F. MacCabe, A. M. Mack and Capt. A. O. G. Mills. Rowing: J. E. Potter, A. G. Dalziel, J. A. McDouall, G. L. Eastgate, G. J. P. Carey, F. M. Thompson and J. Swan. House: W. R. Andrews, G. H. Gompertz, J. Forbes, S. Berg, W. F. M.C.

BASEBALL PLAY-OFF SATURDAY

The play-off for the Baseball League championship between H. B. and Mindanao will take place on Saturday at 3 p.m.

In view of the importance of the game four umpires have been appointed as follows:—

Plate—"Granpop" Leung; First base—Nick Beltrio; Second—Charles Figueiredo; Third—Henry Barros.

If play is rendered impossible through rain then the match will be played on Sunday at 10.30 a.m.

"Y" HOCKEY TEAMS

The following will represent the Y. M. C. A. in hockey matches at King's Park this week:—

TODAY

Y. M. C. A. "A" v. Combined Hospitals; Colledge; Killen and Saxby; Coombe Pennington and Waldron; Highlands, Grant, Ure, Dunne and Banks. (5 p.m.)

SATURDAY

Y. M. C. A. 1st XI v. Royal Scots; Benwell; Gilchrist and Saxby; Coombe, Pennington and Waldron; Smits, Gemmell, Ure, Dunne and Bates. (4.15 p.m.)

Y. M. C. A. 2nd XI v. St. Andrew's; Fishlock; Killen and Jeffrey; Croft, Gorman and Grant; Banks, Smits Highlands, Ireson and Bevan. (3 p.m.)

Golf Competition In Aid Of B.W.O.F.

The Royal Hongkong Golf Club (Ladies' Section) is holding a Tombstone competition at Deep Water Bay on Tuesday, September 24, in aid of the British War Organisation Fund.

An entrance fee of \$1 is being charged and for every dollar collected the Ladies' Section will donate another \$2.

Lady Macgregor has kindly given a prize to the winner and the Committee hopes that the competition will be well supported.

GLOVER CUP

The Glover Cup for 1940 has been won by Mrs. R.C. Stewart who beat Mrs. A. Greaves in the final.

HAI-ALAI PLAYERS FOR SPAIN

Mr. J. L. Salsamendi, director of Hai-Alai in Kobe, was a thorough passenger for Spain by a Japanese vessel that called at Hongkong yesterday. There were some 20 Hai-Alai players on board, who are on their way home to Spain.

AMERICA'S ONLY WOMAN RACE TRACK BOSS

SARATOGA SPRINGS.—A race track is so much like a young baby in the care it needs (starting like a to's, at 7 a.m.) that women ought to be ideally suited to the finicky job of track superintendent.

Yet Mrs. Tom Clare, boss of the beautiful track here at Saratoga Springs, is the only woman in the United States, and probably in the whole world, to hold down such a job.

SURPRISE IN POSITION

Her position is probably as Webb, Mrs. C. C. Blake and Mrs. N. Potter.

Bowling Alleys Sub-Committee: H. Dreyer, H. W. Brown, J. Forbes and K. M. A. Barnett.

Squash Sub-Committee: D. I. Bosanquet and P. F. McCabe.

Hon. Librarian: Mrs. N. Potter. Patrons of the Club are H.E. Sir Geoffrey Northcote, K.C.M.G., H.E. Lt.-Gen. E. F. Norton, C.B., D.S.O., M.C., Admiral Sir Percy Noble, K.C.B., C.V.O. and H.E. Major-General A. E. Grasett, D.S.O.

LAWN BOWLS NOTES

RECREIO "A" ARE NOW ALMOST CERTAIN OF RETAINING TITLE

BY "NO. 1"

HAVING BEATEN CRAIGENGOWER CRICKET CLUB LAST SATURDAY AT THE VALLEY, RECREIO "A" CAN NOW BE PRACTICALLY CERTAIN OF RETAINING THE SENIOR LEAGUE TITLE FOR ANOTHER YEAR. It is very unlikely that they will lose both their remaining matches against Civil Service Cricket Club and Kowloon Docks Recreation Club though, as in most games, there is always the glorious uncertainty.

The race for the Second Division championship is being maintained by Kowloon Bowling Green Club and Taihook Recreation Club with the Kowloon Football Club following close. The Prison Officers' Club made almost certain of the Third Division honours by defeating Kowloon Football Club last Saturday.

Kowloon Cricket Club, playing away, put up an excellent show to beat Civil Service Cricket Club by ten shots. Hollidge who changed position with McGowan tied with Kern after a ding-dong match.

An upset was the result of the match between Kowloon Docks R.C. and the Kowloon Bowling Green Club when the latter lost by one shot. Kempton, down five shots on the 18th head, scored seven on the last three heads to beat Sheriff. McKelvie was leading Hall but conceded 11 shots to lose while Morrison had the better of Holland.

Craigengower Cricket Club, playing at home, proved no match for the Champions and lost two vital points by 23 shots. Carlos Silva went "all out" to beat Rosset by 20 shots. Omar was the only winning home skip.

Indian Recreation Club had the better of the Hongkong Football Club by two shots mainly due to Dallah's six-shot win over Robertson.

SECOND DIVISION

Kowloon Football Club, playing away, beat Police Recreation Club by 18 shots this being made possible by a 20-shot win by Chittenden over Channing by 28-4.

At Chater Road, Hongkong Cricket Club had an easy time against Recreio, winning by 31 shots, the biggest of the afternoon. The H.K.C.C. re-arranged rink, skipped by Prentice, had an overwhelming win by 19 shots against Remedies.

At North Point, Taihook R.C. made short work of Civil Service Cricket Club beating them by 27 shots.

Kowloon Tong Club, visiting Cox's Road, beat Kowloon C.C. by 11 shots. The main feature of the game was a "possible" scored by Kew's rink against Overy's four. This was the third of the season. Marks was deputising for Moss and beat Gittins 25-11.

FORECAST FOR SATURDAY

Kowloon Docks will be at home to Kowloon Cricket Club and should manage to win.

A good game will be witnessed between Civil Service and Recreio 'B' at the Valley. I fancy the Civil Servants to win.

The game between Police R.C. and their neighbours, Craigengower, should produce some good bowls. Though I favour C.C.C. to win but they should not take it easy.

Hongkong Football Club will be up against strong opposition, namely, Kowloon Bowling Green Club and I am afraid they will have to concede the two points.

SECOND DIVISION

Hongkong Cricket Club will entertain Kowloon Tong but will find them a hard nut to crack. Kowloon Cricket Club will visit Civil Service C.C. and should manage a small margin victory.

Police will be playing Craigengower but they will find their neighbours too strong for them. An even match is expected at King's Park between Recreio and Taihook and I favour the latter to win.

THIRD DIVISION

Indian Recreation Club will be entertaining Prison Officers' Club at Sookunpo in their postponed fixture and will find the visitors a strong combination.

THE TEAMS

The following are Club selections for this week's Lawn Bowls League matches:—

THIRD DIVISION

H. K. E. R. C. — C. E. Gahagan, V. Sorby, B. Deacon, J. K. Sloan (skip); A. F. Paul, R. C. Butler, G. T. Padgett, G. G. S. Thomson (skip); A. N. Oher, R. A. Owens, W. H. B. Musket, J. F. Lunny (skip); I. R. C. — A. S. Sumad, M. S. Hassan, A. M. Rumjahn, A. H. Madar (skip); K. M. Rumjahn, M. P. Madar, A. Sumad, A. Bakar (skip); S. M. Sadick, M. Hassan, U. A. Rumjahn, S. M. Rumjahn (skip).

125-man summer crew that do the work necessary. Despite her man's sized job, Mrs. Clare still finds time to be a housewife at the handsome white Colonial house, just around the corner from the track, that she and her husband built three years ago.

When she is home, it's an even money bet she'll be in the kitchen, perhaps whipping up her favourite chocolate cake, to prove she still knows how to stir up a tasty meal.

Lawn Bowls Open Singles Second Round

The following is the draw for the second round in the Open Lawn Bowls Singles championship.

All matches are to commence at 5 p.m. sharp.

MONDAY

At Kowloon B.G.C. — L. F. Xavier v. A. Eastman, Y. S. Tang v. C. G. Silva.

At Kowloon F.C. — J. C. Remedies v. J. C. Gill, J. N. Wong v. H. White, R. Morrison v. A. E. Carey.

At Craigengower — A. Brooksbank v. A. Morton, S. E. Eccleshall v. E. C. Fincher, W. Harris v. F. J. Jones.

At Civil Service — R. F. Luz v. G. Perkins, C. S. Rosset v. C. Gowland, J. E. Hayward v. W. Hong Sing.

At Kowloon Docks — W. L. Walker v. W. V. Field.

At Police R.C. — C. W. Lam v. M. F. Alarcon, J. H. Celling v. H. E. Strange, W. R. Hillyer v. W. Ward.

TUESDAY

At Kowloon F.C. — J. McCutcheon v. A. M. Omar, F. X. M. da Silva v. B. Basto.

At Craigengower — M. N. Rakusen v. F. P. Anslow, A. R. Minu v. W. S. Dall or J. J. Basto.

At Kowloon B.G.C. — W. J. Howard v. C. H. Basto.

At Recreio — J. McKelvie v. U. M. Omar, T. Madar v. F. Goodwin.

At Kowloon C.C. — Y. Abbas v. C. C. Pereira.

WEDNESDAY

At Civil Service C.C. — M. R. Abbas v. A. E. Coates, A. H. Rumjahn v. R. Mackenzie or R. Bass Medina.

At Kowloon F.C. — C. E. Marques v. A. M. Holland.

At Craigengower — A. Hyde-Lay v. A. W. Hircock.

At Kowloon B.G.C. — V. Chittenden or W. K. Way v. W. Simpson.

At R. A. Dallah v. H. A. Alves.

FRIDAY

At Recreio — A. J. Hall v. R. O. Hughes.

SPORTING FIXTURES

TODAY

MEETING.—Annual of Hongkong Hockey Association, St. Andrew's Hall, 6 p.m.

SWIMMING.—Hongkong Army (Army) Championships (Army pool) 2 p.m. Colony Championship Heats, Men's 100 free-style, Women's 100 free-style, Men's 100 back-stroke, Men's 880 free-style, Men's 200 free-style relay, Women's 440 free-style.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

FOOTBALL.—First Division: R. Scots v. South China (Sookunpo), 4.45 p.m.; Kowloon v. St. Joseph's (Kowloon), 4.45 p.m.; Club v. Kwong Wah (Club ground), 4.45 p.m.; Second Division: Middlesex v. Kit-che (Military), 4.45 p.m.; 30th R.A. v. Engineers (Military), 3.15 p.m.; R. Scots v. South China (Sookunpo), 3.15 p.m.; Kowloon v. R.A.S.C. (Kowloon), 3.15 p.m.; Club v. Kwong Wah (Club ground), 3.15 p.m.; Third Division: R.A.F. v. Signals (Caroline Hill), 3.15 p.m.; International v. 55th R.A. (Caroline Hill), 4.45 p.m.; 12th R.A. v. 7th R.A. (Stanley), 3.15 p.m.; R.A.M.C. v. 24th R.A. (Chatham Road), 4.45 p.m.; 20th R.A. v. Engineers (Chatham Road), 3.15 p.m.

LAWN BOWLS.—First Division: Kowloon Docks v. Kowloon C.C., Civil Service v. Recreio "B", Police R.C. v. Craigengower, Hongkong F.C. v. Kowloon B.G.C., Second Division: Hongkong C.C. v. Kowloon Tong, Civil Service v. Kowloon C.C., Police R.C. v. Craigengower, Recreio v. Taihook.

RACING.—Hongkong Jockey Club's Seventh Extra Race Meeting at Happy Valley, 2 p.m.

SWIMMING.—South China A.A. Swimming Championships, 2.30 p.m.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

FOOTBALL.—First Division: Police v. Navy (Boundary Street), 4.45 p.m.; Sing Tao v. Eastern (Club ground), 4.45 p.m.; Second Division: Police v. R.A.O.C. (Boundary Street), 3.15 p.m.; Sing Tao v. Eastern (Club ground), 3.15 p.m.; Third Division: 38th R.A. v. A.S.A. (Chatham Road), 3.15 p.m.; Shell v. R.A.S.C. (Chatham Road), 4.45 p.m.

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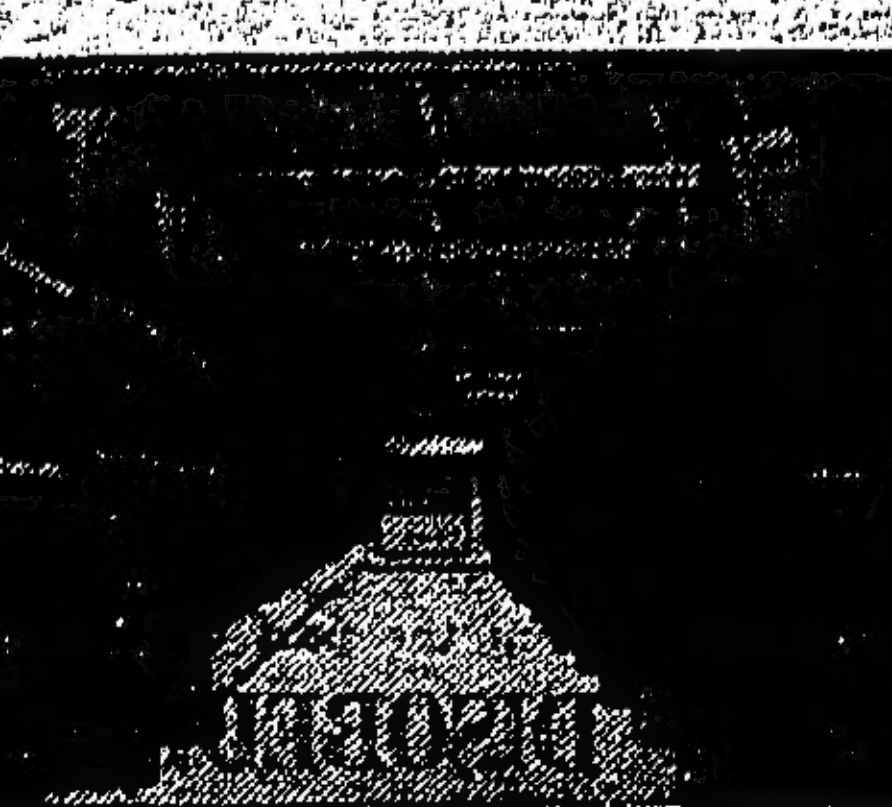


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War Reviewed In Lords And Commons: Premier Warns Of Invasion: Vigilance Urged

LONDON, Sept. 18 (Reuter)—There were changes in the Chamber when the House of Commons met yesterday afternoon to hear Mr. Winston Churchill on the war situation. Most of the valuable stained glass on both sides had been removed and plain glass substituted.

As the House assembled, Mr. Churchill's "walling banshees" heralded the approach of German raiders, but an even more insistent note was made by strong patrols of British fighters overhead as these scurried through the skies while the House of Commons proceeded with the time-honoured questions and answers.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain, the former Prime Minister, entered just before question time for the first time since his illness and he was loudly cheered by members in all parts of the House.

Further cheers were raised by Mr. A. V. Alexander, First Lord of the Admiralty, when he announced that His Majesty had approved that the name of the leader of the first flotilla of American destroyers transferred to this country should be Churchill.

Mr. Churchill blushed as this announcement was made and one member called out to the Prime Minister, "Hold your head up." Mr. Alexander intimated that the names of the rest of the flotilla would be towns and villages in the United States and United Kingdom.

LONDON, Sept. 18 (Reuter)—Prior to attending Parliament Mr. Winston Churchill dined with His Majesty at Buckingham Palace and had a long audience with the King.

Meanwhile, in the Upper House, a war atmosphere also obtained. Here Lord Caldecote stated that

in the first half of September over 2,000 civilians, including many women and children, had been killed and about 8,000 wounded by air bombardment.

Four-fifths of these figures applied to the London area, added Lord Caldecote.

PREMIER'S SPEECH
LONDON, Sept. 18 (Reuter)—When he rose to address the House of Commons, the Prime Minister did not keep the House waiting with a preamble. Almost immediately he announced the advance of the Italian Army in Libya and the expectations of an attempted German invasion.

The Prime Minister intimated that he did not feel it necessary to make an extensive statement as practically all facts not of a secret nature had been made public.

An advance of the Italian Army in Libya was in progress, he said, and two British platoons which had been holding Sollum had been withdrawn.

The enemy was still at some distance from the British positions of resistance.

INVASION PREPARATIONS
Deployment of German barges and ships in preparations for an invasion of Britain and Ireland continued, Mr. Churchill added, and "we must expect that Hitler will make an attempt at what he judges to be the best opportunity. All our preparations must, therefore, be maintained in a state of vigilance." (Cheers.)

Continuing, Mr. Churchill said: "The process of waiting, keyed up to concert pitch day after day, is apt after a while to lose its charm of novelty. There is no doubt that it imposes a heavy strain on all concerned, but we must not under-rate the damage inflicted on the enemy by the very heavy nightly bombardment on his concentration of ships and on all focal points."

"Undoubtedly serious injury has been done to his ships but meanwhile our strength, I am able to assure the House, develops steadily at sea, on land and above all in the air (Cheers). The recent air battles have been the most fruitful of any fought on a general scale up to date by the R.A.F."

NAZI HARD HIT
"There are very good reasons for believing at the present time that very grievous inroads have been made on the enemy's numerical superiority, and we may await the decision of this prolonged air battle with a spirit of increasing confidence."

"German attacks on the civilian population have been concentrated mainly on London in hopes of terrorising the citizens into submission or throw them into confusion, and, of course, with the silly idea that they will put pressure on the Government to make peace. (Laughter)."

"Deliberate and repeated attacks upon Buckingham Palace and upon the persons of our beloved King and our beloved Queen (Cheers) are also intended, apart from their general barbarity, to have an unsettling effect upon public opinion."

PEOPLE UNITED
"They, of course, have the opposite effect (Loud Cheers). They united the King and Queen to their people by new sacred bonds of common danger and they steel all hearts to a stern, unrelenting prosecution of the war against so foul a foe."

FLEET STREET UNDAMAGED

PAPERS OUT ON SCHEDULE

LONDON, Sept. 17 (Reuter)—It is typical of the propaganda put out daily by the enemy that the Italian Government wireless reports that Fleet Street has been bombed and asserts that Fleet Street itself has been reduced to ruins.

This report is, of course, fantastic. Fleet Street is entirely untouched and the same is true of the whole of Fleet Street.

Only the Evening Standard and Daily Herald offices have been hit and the damage is so slight that work was totally uninterrupted and no edition failed to appear on the streets at the scheduled time.

Moreover, neither of these buildings is in Fleet Street.

After giving the casualty figures mentioned by Lord Caldecote in the House of Lords, Mr. Churchill proceeded:

"Many hospitals, churches and public monuments have been damaged. Injury to our war-making capacity has been surprisingly small. We are only beginning to get an increased flow of production from the great programmes started after the war."

WANTON ATTACK
"It is very agreeable to see increases maintained over so wide a field in spite of the enemy's fire. To see how indiscriminate and wanton is the enemy's attack, there were 10,000 civilian casualties from air attack but less than 250 in all the fighting services."

"The Air Raid Precautions organisation has proved its efficiency and the greatest discipline and devotion to duty has been shown by all."

"The task of preserving the health and well-being of an enormous community exceeding 8,000,000 souls in the Thames Valley, of supplying them with all necessities and making provision for those whose homes have been destroyed or those who have had to be evacuated, has proved a strain upon the machinery of the Government which calls for exertion by all the authorities concerned."

"This heavy, intricate task is being efficiently and successfully discharged. The whole system of our life and labour is being rapidly adapted to conditions hitherto unknown to modern society."

BIGGER BATTLES?
"Intensification of the air attack has made it difficult to draw precise conclusions as to the new rules about our air raid warnings, but broadly speaking, the siren must be an alert and not an alarm."

"We must expect that very many more intense examples of air fighting will be experienced in future."

Mr. Churchill, in conclusion, intimated that there were some matters connected with arrangements under air attack which he preferred to discuss in private.

Acting on his suggestion, the House went into secret session and adjourned shortly afterwards.

LOARDS REVIEW
LONDON, Sept. 18 (Reuter)—In the House of Lords, Viscount Caldecote went into the war situation in more detail on certain points than did the Prime Minister.

Lord Caldecote referred to the Canadian, Australian and New Zealand forces available in Britain to repel an invasion should an invasion come, and also to units of the Royal Canadian Navy and the naval contingent from New Zealand.

In the air, he added, the Canadian fighter squadron had helped magnificently to increase the enemy's losses and Britain had invaluable assistance from the Royal Australian Air Force.

Efficiency Of Britain's Defences

LONDON, Sept. 18 (Reuter)—Evidence of the growing efficiency of Britain's night defences is shown by the fact that all the four enemy bombers which an Air Ministry communique revealed yesterday were brought down on Monday night were shot down by anti-aircraft fire, says Reuter's air correspondent.

It is understood that none fell in the London area but along "lanes" followed by the enemy to the capital.

It is disclosed that on Tuesday two other enemy bombers were victims of R.A.F. night fighter patrols.

These six are believed to be a record "bag" for the defences in which, wherever conditions are favourable, anti-aircraft guns, barrage balloons and fighters will be used more and more effectively together.

SPECIAL CAMP FOR WOMEN

ALIENS IN BRITAIN

LONDON, Sept. 18 (Reuter)—Nazi sympathisers among the people interned in Britain will be separated from the others and put into a special camp.

Some of the women interned on the Isle of Man have already been put into a special camp. They are the ones with Nazi sympathies.

A total of 2,500 have already been released but 17,000 are still interned.

Official Report Of Secret Session
LONDON, Sept. 18 (Reuter)—The following report of the secret session of the House of Commons is issued under the authority of the Speaker:

"The House went into secret session and discussion took place on future sittings of the House. It was decided to meet at regular intervals but that dates and times should not be specified."

by Newfoundland in the defence of the British Isles both by sea and air.

FLOW OF PILOTS
In respect of the Empire Air Training Scheme, Lord Caldecote said that this was in advance of schedule and that Britain would shortly be receiving a flow of highly skilled pilots and air crews to redress the balance in the air and ultimately to give Britain air superiority.

In the Middle East, an important part was being played by the forces of South Africa. The South African Air Force had distinguished itself by inflicting heavy losses on the enemy.

The Dominions had not confined their help to military, naval and air contingents, but were producing an ever-increasing output of munitions and military supplies of many kinds.

Turning to the Mediterranean, Lord Caldecote said our naval forces recently swept the Mediterranean from end to end for six days without any naval action being taken by the enemy.

Meanwhile convoys of troops and materials had arrived in the Near East, taking fighting men and supplies to fill the gaps in that theatre of war left by the collapse of France.

FAR EAST
Regarding the Far East, Lord Caldecote said he had no definite information as to the course of negotiations said to be proceeding between Indo-China and Japan at Hanoi.

In view, however, of current reports that Japan had been pressing the Government of Indo-China to allow the passage of Japanese troops and the establishment of air and naval bases in the colony, His Majesty's Government had made clear to the Japanese Government their interest in the maintenance of the status quo in that area.

The question of provision of petrol for distribution of medical supplies in the interior of China had been actively pursued.

It was hoped that a definite proposal on this point would be made to the Japanese in the near future.

RELIEF OF WAR VICTIMS

£1,000,000 From U.S. Red Cross

LONDON, Sept. 18 (Reuter)—The United States Red Cross has sent supplies and cash to the total value of about £1,000,000 for the relief of civilian war victims in Britain.

Since the beginning of the heavy raids on London, the American Red Cross has provided £5,000 for clothes for women, £1,000 for warm coats for men, £18,000 for boots and shoes, large quantities of material and other warm clothes.

Most of this has been distributed among people who have lost their homes or suffered heavily in the Nazi raids on the East End of London.

HURRICANE IN CANADA

LONDON, Sept. 18 (Reuter)—A 70 m.p.h. hurricane, the worst in 50 years, is now raging on the east coast of Canada from Halifax to Prince Edward Island.

Train services have been interrupted, telegraph services cut and streets flooded.

The city of St. John's in New Brunswick was without electric light on Monday night. No casualties were reported.



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"You're not. You're a very busy consulting engineer."

"Come, come, Mr. Scrooge. Is there no spark of sentiment in that flinty old heart?"

"Flinty old fiddlesticks. Look here, David, what is biting you today?"

"Well — or — as a matter of fact I went to a party last night. The foaming beakers were knocked back with speed and precision. I had a whale of a time."

"H'm — you look fresh enough anyway."

"That is the climax of my story. Somebody gave me the tip about Ginlets. You know — Rose's Lime Juice being a therapeutic agent — anticipating hangovers — and so on. And it works!"

"H'm. Must make a note of that — Rose's Lime Juice. Confound! I've written it on the plans for the new reservoir!"

LONDON, Sept. 18 (Reuter)—The British Red Cross of Jerusalem has been presented with nine all-steel ambulances by the Australian Red Cross. They were built locally.

LONDON, Sept. 18 (Reuter)—Wardrobes, beds and chairs were among the things the Queen has sent from Windsor Castle for the relief of people whose homes were wrecked in the recent air raids on London.

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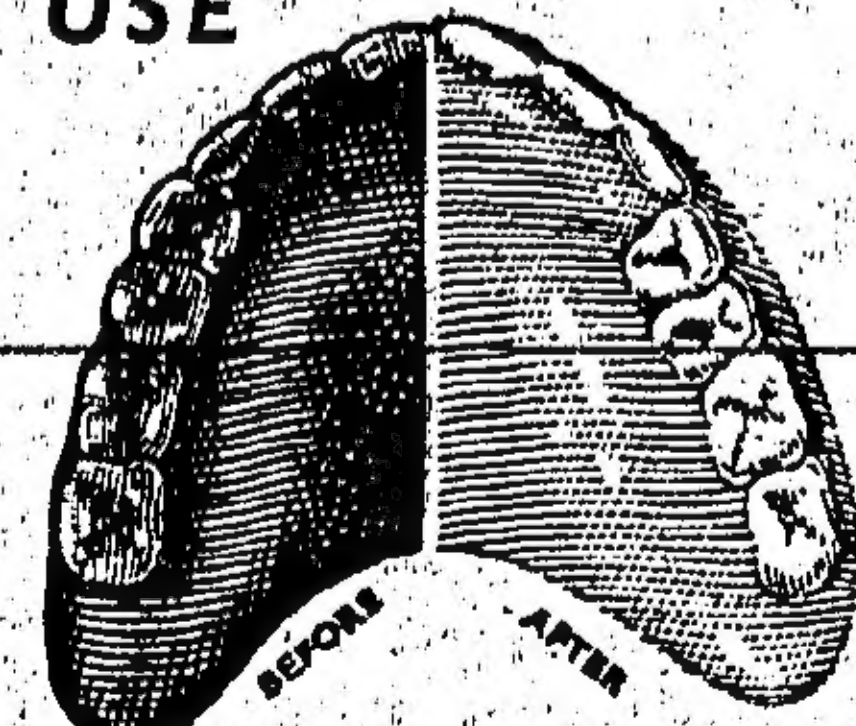
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ROUND THE POLICE COURTS

AT CENTRAL

TOOK CAMERAS OUTSIDE CITY LIMITS

Three Chinese were summoned before Mr. H. G. Sheldon yesterday for the possession of a camera without a permit. The summonses were brought under the new regulations prohibiting the possession of cameras outside the city limits.

Pong Chi-chip, of No. 27, Wong-nichong Road, second floor, summoned for possession of a camera at Reservoir Road, Pokfulam, on Sept. 1, was fined the sum of \$10. Fines of \$10 each were also imposed on Chan Lum, of No. 12 Tai Pak Terrace, ground floor, and Ho Lai, of No. 179, Queen's Road Central, top floor.

Chan had a camera in his possession on Aug. 22 at Pokfulam Road while Ho committed the offence at Beach Road, near the Lido, on Sept. 1.

POSSESSION OF OPIUM

Alleged to have in his possession 130 taels of raw opium and 672 taels of prepared opium, Chan Man-kwong, 33, unemployed, was charged before Mr. G. T. Lowry yesterday with possession of opium without a permit.

Revenue Officer Ahern said defendant was arrested at Room 305, Great Eastern Hotel on Sept. 17. The opium was found hidden in two suitcases.

Defendant had only arrived from Haiphong recently.

Chan was remanded in police custody for 24 hours.

LARCENY BY SERVANT

Four months' hard labour was imposed by Mr. Lowry yesterday on Lui Sung, 31, house coglie, who was charged with larceny of different household articles from his employer, Mr. L. R. Andrews, Registrar, Supreme Court, of No. 361, The Peak.

Lui was stated to have stolen two sofa cocktail shakers valued at \$80 on Sept. 5, and three silver cups, one silver ash tray and eight pieces of ivory ornaments, valued at \$100, on Sept. 16, from the residence of his employer.

Det. Sub-Inspector Byron said at 5 p.m. on Sept. 16 defendant was seen by a Chinese detective entering a pawn shop with two parcels. He was searched, and the silver articles and ivory ornaments were found.

Defendant admitted stealing them from No. 361, The Peak. He also admitted the first theft on Sept. 5.

Remarking that it was a mean theft the Magistrate sentenced Lui to four months' hard labour on each charge, the sentences to run concurrently.

BLACK-OUT SEQUEL

Fines ranging from \$5 to \$50 were imposed by Mr. Sheldon yesterday when several people were summoned for "failing to screen their lights during the black-out on Aug. 27."

Sze To Kwok-yim, of No. 9, Conduit Road, was fined \$50. (The premises were being used as a school.)

Cheng Tiu, of No. 20, Third Street, ground floor, was fined \$10.

Yeung Sing-yiu, of No. 78, High Street, first floor, was fined \$25.

Fines of \$5 each were imposed on Leung Chan, of No. 55, Tung Street, first floor, Fung Pat, ground floor, and Lui Chai-yuk, second floor of the same address.

Cheung Sui-sum, of No. 53, Tung Street, first floor, was fined \$20.

The summons against Chan Kai-fong, of No. 27 Robinson Road, top floor, was dismissed. Chan pleaded not guilty and the prosecution said that they could not prove whether it was defendant's flat that was showing a light.

The summons against Ho Shiu, of No. 53, Tung Street, second floor, was adjourned for a week.

Tsang Yee-kong, of No. 15, Lau 14 Street, second floor, was fined \$25.

Insp. F. D. B. Tuckett prosecuted in all cases.

THEFT OF \$1,000

Appearing on remand before Mr. Lowry yesterday Cheuk Yee-chi, 38, unemployed, who was charged with larceny of \$1,000 (Chinese currency) from the person of Siu Sang, 31, shop foki, on Sept. 15, at Queen's Road Central, was bound over in the sum of \$100—a personal bond of \$50 and \$50 in security—for one year.

It will be recalled that complainant was walking along the street after coming out of a money changer's shop when defendant came from behind and snatched the money, all wrapped up in papers, from him. Defendant was arrested by a Chinese detective.

FARMER VICTIMISED

A farmer from the country, who arrived here on Sept. 15, found

himself confronted by three Chinese who demanded \$1 from him as a landing fee, failing which, he was told, he would be arrested.

The farmer, Ko Chi, offered the men a Chinese ten-cent note which was refused by the men who said \$1 was the least amount they would accept. Ko eventually paid the sum.

The whole proceedings were seen by a district watchman on the wharf and two of the men were arrested.

The two men, Li Yau, 18, and Leung Hon, 33, both unemployed, were charged before Mr. Barnett yesterday with demanding \$1 from the complainant with menaces, on Sept. 15, at Connaught Road West. Both defendants pleaded not guilty to the offence.

After evidence was given both defendants were convicted and were each fined \$50, in default, two months' imprisonment.

Sgt. R. McVey prosecuted.

TOOK COOKING UTENSIL

Taking a cooking utensil and a brass ladle, to the total value of \$4.15, from the compound of No. 2 Police Station at 1.15 p.m. on Tuesday a man tried to walk out by the back door. He was, however, seen by two men and was arrested.

It was later found that the articles belonged to an unlicensed hawk who had been arrested the same day. Defendant stole them from the hawk's stall in the station compound.

The man, Ng Hing, 19, unemployed, was yesterday charged before Mr. Sheldon with larceny and was sentenced to 14 days' imprisonment.

Det. Sgt. V. M. Morrison prosecuted.

AT KOWLOON

OVERCROWDED FACTORY

A fine of \$100 was imposed by Mr. Q. A. Macfadyen yesterday on the manager of the Yat Kwong Bulb Company, at No. 65 Sai Yee Street, for permitting the factory premises to be so overcrowded as to be dangerous or injurious to the health of the employees.

In passing sentence, Mr. Macfadyen remarked that it was a good thing to employ more workers since the unemployment in the Colony was high. However, this could not be an excuse for such a practice would endanger the health of the workers.

Mr. D. W. Phillips, Factory Inspector, said that he visited the premises and found 44 workers. The premises were allowed to hold only half of the number.

The defendant had been charged with a similar offence in April when he was fined \$75.

UNREGISTERED WARD

Appearing before Mr. Macfadyen yesterday, Chan Ming, 48, and his wife, Pong Lam, of No. 148 Yu Chow Street were charged with having in their possession an unregistered ward.

Insp. H. W. Fraser, prosecuting, said a letter was received by the S. C. A. on Sept. 12 stating that a suspected mul tsai was in the premises.

The defendants were each fined \$10.

The mul tsai was brought into the Colony by the second defendant in May.

CONSPIRACY ALLEGED

Evidence was taken yesterday in the case in which five men, Leung Shiu-hon, clerk, Shum Sze, lorry driver, Lo Yeung tallyman, Chan Chi-on, stock clerk, and Yee Kung-wing, garage owner, were charged with conspiracy with intent to cheat the Asiatic Petroleum Company, Taikotsu, of 40 drums of benzine.

The first defendant was additionally charged with stealing 40 drums of benzine while the fifth defendant was further charged with receiving stolen property.

The first four defendants were all employees of the A. P. C., Taikotsu.

Sgt. Morrison, prosecuting, said that the first four defendants gathered in the Ming Yuen Cafe on Aug. 18 and discussed to whom they should sell the benzine. They finally decided to sell it to the fifth defendant, manager of the Wai Man Garage and asked him to meet them at the cafe. The fifth defendant agreed to pay 90 cents for each gallon of benzine.

On Aug. 23 the Wai Man branch telephoned to the Company and ordered 20 drums of benzine. All necessary papers were prepared by the fourth defendant and the second delivered the benzine to the garage. The owner paid \$72

Chang Draws Another Full House

Another crowded house greeted Chang and his company at the Queen's Theatre when they presented their second performance to Hongkong audiences.

Chang put a deal of variation into his acts and received an enthusiastic reception. The vanishing canary, the phantom fish and pigeons, the guillotine act, the magic sands and the sensational escape from a closed box were heartily applauded.

The dance ensembles, with brilliant Oriental settings, offered pleasing interludes to Chang's magic and the romantic legend of "The Enchanted Princess" formed a brilliant finale to an entertaining programme.

SESSIONS TRIAL

ROBBER SENTENCED TO 18 MONTHS

Found guilty by a jury on a charge of robbery, Ho Kau, unemployed, was sentenced to 18 months' hard labour by Mr. Justice Williams at the Criminal Sessions yesterday.

Mr. J. Reynolds, Crown Counsel, prosecuted, and the jury comprised Messrs. F. D. Hunter (foreman), A. H. Vaswani, Min Chow, Kwan Yim-chor, Cheung Garch, H. M. Barretto and V. E. Oliveira.

The victim of the robbery was Fan Suk-tun, married woman residing at No. 1, Fuk Wah Street. She was returning home from market about 8.45 a.m. on August 17 when she noticed three men following her.

THREATENED WITH KNIFE

As she was ascending the stairs, two men rushed past her and walked in front, while the third, whom she recognised as the accused, remained behind. At the second landing, one of the two men in front produced a knife, and held it up to her head, threatening to kill her if she should raise the alarm. The second person snatched her wrist watch.

Her sister's attention was attracted by the noise and called out for help. The three men ran away and were pursued by her sister and Tam Fuk, a coolie, who eventually arrested the accused and handed him to a policeman.

POLICE REPORTS

A report has been made to the police by Mr. G. H. Kemsley, of No. 1, Leighton Hill Road, that jewellery, valued at \$506, was stolen from his home on Monday night.

Mr. G. Hiranana, of the Paris Silk Store, No. 45, Nathan Road, reports that someone forced open a show case and stole men's underwear, to the total value of \$21, between 8 p.m. on Sept. 15 and 9.30 a.m. on Sept. 17.

Suffering injuries to his hands and face, received while he was dynamiting fish outside the harbour, a Chinese male, aged 21 years, was admitted to the Kowloon Hospital.

Mr. C. E. Bucke, of No. 269, Prince Edward Road, reports that someone stole \$33 in money and a lady's bathing suit from bathing shed No. 46, at 11 1/2 mile beach between 9.30 and 11 p.m. on Monday.

which was shared among the first four defendants.

On Aug. 27 the garage again ordered 20 drums of benzine which were delivered and the money collected.

Upon being informed, the Asiatic Petroleum Company reported to the police and all defendants were arrested on Sept. 3.

Mr. Hin-shing Lo, appearing for the fifth defendant, said that he should not be charged with conspiracy when the act of larceny had been committed.

Hearing was adjourned until this afternoon.

ALLEGED ROBBERY

Hearing of the case in which Fung Kim-seng, manager of the Tai Tung and Tai Ping Restaurants, was assaulted by three men with the alleged intention of robbing him, was continued yesterday before Mr. Macfadyen and was adjourned to tomorrow afternoon.

ENJOYABLE PARTY

Birthday Of Capt. I. J. Lossius

On the occasion of the 87th birthday of Capt. I. J. Lossius, a very enjoyable party was given at the country residence of Mr. D. O. Silver, on Cheung Chow Island, on Tuesday evening. There was a large gathering present.

Captain Lossius' birthplace, Christiansund, on the west coast of Norway, was completely destroyed by German bombers when that country was invaded by Germany in April this year, and he has not heard from any of his relations since then.

After nearly 70 years of seafaring from wind-jammers to ocean liners, about 40 of which were spent in China seas, he has now retired to the Island of Cheung Chau, which so much reminds him of his home town.

Three years ago he celebrated the Diamond Jubilee of his wedding, but his wife passed away two years ago.

THOSE PRESENT

Among those present were:—Rev. and Mrs. Sam Boyle, Dr. and Mrs. J. A. Kempf, Rev. H. Davies, Rev. and Mrs. Reiber, Rev. E. Jones, Rd. and Mrs. C. Lawson, Dr. A. Thomas, Mrs. F. T. Woodward, Mrs. Rex Ray, Mrs. Todd, Mrs. Ziegler, Mrs. Schwindener, Mrs. Gravem, Mrs. Lindell, Mrs. Hill, Mrs. Holden, Mrs. French.

AIRPORT NEWS

ONE DEPARTURE YESTERDAY

AN OUTWARD SERVICE BY IMPERIAL AIRWAYS PLANE DARDANUS (Capt. W. C. Cash and F/O J. A. Samuels) left Kai Tak yesterday morning, taking 92.5 kilos of freight and 98.814 kilos of mail for the United Kingdom, Indo-China, Malaya, Java and Australia.

One passenger boarded the plane in Hongkong—Wing-Comdr. Louis Castex, representative of the Indo-China Government, who arrived in the Colony recently to negotiate for the release of seven planes which were destined for the Hanol Flying School and which had been detained by the Hongkong Government since last July. The release was obtained last week.

The next outward service by Imperial Airways is due to leave Kai Tak on Sunday morning.

An inward service is scheduled to arrive in Hongkong tomorrow afternoon and will be followed by another inward service on Tuesday next, Sept. 24.

CLIPPER SCHEDULE

Pan American Airways Clipper schedule remains unchanged. The CALIFORNIA CLIPPER is due to arrive on Saturday afternoon, with U.S. mails, dated San Francisco, Sept. 14, and will take off on her return flight on Sunday morning. The CHINA CLIPPER is scheduled to arrive on Sept. 24 and to leave on Sept. 25.

CHECKING THE GAMBLING EVIL

It is learned that a sub-Committee has been detailed by the Ceylon National Congress Executive Committee to submit a report on the question of checking the gambling evil resulting from horse racing and the existence of "Bucket Shops."

The sub-Committee was appointed at the last meeting of the Congress Executive Committee in connection with a resolution which came up before it, suggesting that the Minister of Home Affairs should be requested to ban the publication of entries and results of races other than those of this country and also to curtail the number of race days and sweeps in Ceylon.

The sub-Committee consists of Messrs. W. R. Wijemanne, C. P. G. Abeywardene, L. M. Gooneratne and D. R. Jayawardene.

GAMBLING AND DRINK

The need for teaching children the evils of gambling and of drink, during their schooldays, was emphasised by Mr. W. A. de Silva, Minister of Health when he opened the third day of the Kotte Carnival organised by St. Thomas' School.

An added attraction was the Health Exhibition organised by Dr. H. A. Dirckze, Medical Officer of Health of the area.

The Minister said he hoped he

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MORE DEPARTURES

Others who left the Colony were:

Mr. Barana Alberto, Mr. M. Anderson, Mr. M. Colker, Mr. K. I. Davis, Mr. Vassil Dracopoulos, Mrs. Lillian Jane Deegan, Mr. F. Elles, Mr. L. A. Fernandez, Mrs. A. F. Fisher, Mr. J. Franco, Mr. P. Galacatos, Brother B. D. Hanson, Mr. A. S. Hill, Mr. B. Howard, Mr. E. W. Jensen, Mr. Kōzi Katayama, Miss Vipha Kengradomying, Miss Phongchantra Kengradomying, Mr. and Mrs. O. Kopelman, Mr. M. Kryger, Mr. A. J. Larsen, Mr. George Lerat, Mr. B. E. MacMillan, Mr. W. Martin, Mr. H. F. McCarthy, Mr. C. F. Melbourne, Mr. W. F. Nolte, Mr. T. Olsen, Mr. and Mrs. L. Poinard, Mr. C. Post, Mr. H. J. Silva, Mr. John H. Sjoerds, Mr. C. Smith, Rev. J. F. Steiner, Mr. P. C. Stone, Mr. B. F. Ward, Mr. F. J. Wick, Mr. Dudley Whitridge Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth J. Yeans.

would not be misunderstood, when he stated that they should inculcate in youth, while they were at school, the evils of gambling and drink. It was in this way that they could prevent them from taking to these habits which led them to ruin in later years.

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PARTICULARS OF THE LOT

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in Square feet	Annual Rental	Upset Price
1	New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2888.	Wing Hong Street, adjoining New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2708.	As per sale plan.	About 3,000	408	10,200

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No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in Square feet	Annual Rental	Upset Price
3	New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2890.	Junction of Shan Ning Road & Camp Street, Shamshuipo.	As per sale plan.	About 6,300	74	2,390

Empire Horrified At Palace Raids

LONDON, Sept. 17 (Reuter).—The Belgian Ambassador, as dower of the Diplomatic Corps, has called at Buckingham Palace to express, on behalf of his colleagues, their sympathy and also their indignation at the recent deliberate bombing attacks on Their Majesties' London home.

Telegrams from the colonies continue to reflect horror of people throughout the Empire at the attacks on Buckingham Palace coupled with heartfelt relief at the providential escape of Their Majesties.

Malta, Mauritius, the Supreme Muslim Council of Palestine, the Haifa Jewish community, Southern Rhodesia, Nyasaland, Uganda and other dependencies are among the senders of such messages.

A married woman jumped from the third floor of No. 28, Chun Yuen Street, Wanchai, on Tuesday morning about 7 o'clock. She died immediately. Suicide is suspected.

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JAPAN'S BLUFF CALLED

SEVERAL FACTORS are now beginning to become apparent to account for Japan having stayed her hand in Indo-China. Expert Opinion has, during the past few weeks, been puzzled to understand why the Japanese militarists were content to allow negotiations to continue on the demands they have made on the Indo-China authorities, instead of proceeding with their original intention to invade the French Colony. As far as resistance from Indo-China itself is concerned, the considered opinion is that the French forces there would have been no match for the Japanese, and that the Japanese could have easily walked in if they had decided to put their threat into execution. What has, of course, influenced Nippon's war leaders to alter their threat into a bluff was the trend of developments outside the French Colony. First, came the direct warning from Mr. Cordell Hull, America's Secretary of State, who plainly told Japan that the United States would not remain indifferent to any attempt to infringe on the rights of this French possession. Together with this statement of American policy, came the indication from the Chinese Government that their troops, which had been sent to the Yunnan border, would not hesitate to take a hand in preventing any Japanese attempt to invade Indo-China, even if it resulted in carrying the fighting on to French soil.

HOWEVER MUCH these gestures might have caused the Japanese to pause and consider the position, it did not seem sufficiently forceful enough to make Japan abandon her designs on this coveted French territory. Their militarists adopted another manoeuvre of bluff in attempting to prevail upon Comrade Hitler to force the puppet at Vichy to order the Indo-China authorities to accept their demands. Europe's self-styled war-lord was, however, not very amenable to the idea of giving Japan a roving commission in the Far East. Nevertheless, he evidently did make some such suggestion to the Vichy regime and, at the same time, doubtless expected Japan to take more than a land-grabbing part as an active member of the Axis Group, in order to help him and the pseudo Caesar of Rome to accomplish their designs against England. The way events were moving to the Nazi disadvantage in the Battle of Britain, however, made Japan come to her second pause, as her leaders, realising how disastrously they were bogged down in China, went into a huddle to see how far they could trust the "Heils" and "Vivas" of their vulture friends in Europe. The pow-wow resulted in the decision to play a lone hand as the pirate of the Orient, in preference to

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DISCRIMINATION & A WARNING

The Editor, H.K. Daily Press.
Sir—It was with great disgust that I read the article about Non-Europeans being barred from participating in the Goscombe-O'Sullivan Bowls Tournament. Here again is glaring evidence of discrimination and snobbery! Especially at this time when the help of every British subject is needed—be he white or black! If these so-called Europeans bar them from indulging in a friendly game of bowls, why don't they bar them also from fighting for the British Empire?

They are good enough to be killed while fighting for the safety of these Europeans' homes and apparently they are not good enough to play bowls with these Europeans for whose existence they were willing to give their lives!

This discrimination and snobbery which has been so apparent during the current crisis, is gradually causing great resentment and discontentment in the hearts of the British Non-Europeans and if they keep it up I won't be surprised if some day the Volunteers of whom the majority is Non-European, lay down their arms, "a la King Leopold," just at the time when they are needed most.

W.S. THIRSON

31 CASES OF CHOLERA

The following is the Return of notifiable diseases notified as having occurred in the Colony during the 24 hours ended at midnight of September 17.—Cholera, 31 cases; Enteric fever, five cases; Measles, one case; Dysentery, 11 cases; Tuberculosis, 18 cases.

allowing themselves to be guided by advice from Berlin.

IN THE MEANTIME, another step materialised to call Japan's bluff once again—Anglo-American collaboration in all policy pertaining to their interests in the West and the East. Here was yet another setback and the Nipponese militarists quickly drew back their horns and retreated in dismay into their shells. The effect of this important development of British and American co-operation had immediate repercussions. While Japan pondered over the new setup against her and Herr Hitler continued to have his fangs drawn painfully by the Royal Air Force, a betrayed French people began to rally gallantly to the call to liberate their homeland from the Nazi yoke. Colony after colony ran up the French colours in defiance of orders from Vichy and General de Gaulle's supporters increased in numbers. These signs were well understood by the French authorities in Indo-China and their attitude towards the Japanese demands assumed added firmness. Just as Herr Hitler is daily realising that his chances of success against Britain are rapidly diminishing, so Japan began to see that her opportunity for seizing a rich prize in the East was gradually slipping out of her grasp. A new climax is now reported to be approaching in the renewed demands which the Japanese are said to have made on Indo-China, backed this time, so it is alleged, by a desperate fanatic at Berlin. Herr Hitler is stated to have relented somewhat in his attitude towards Japan, though what futile promises he has made to her is not clear. What is most certain, however, is that the authorities in Indo-China are in a better position today to reject any Japanese proposals and to resist any attempts to violate her territory than they have been before. Bluffing will not serve the Japanese any more.

GOVERNOR PRESENTS MEDALS TO 21 VOLUNTEERS

Real And Important Role To Train For

HIS EXCELLENCY THE ACTING GOVERNOR, LIEUT. GENERAL E. F. NORTON, C.B., D.S.O., M.C., presided for the first time at a public military function since his arrival in the Colony, when, at the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps Headquarters yesterday afternoon, he presented medals to 21 members of the Corps.

His Excellency was met by Col. H. R. Rose, M.C., Commandant of the H.K.V.D.C.

Lt. Col. E. J. R. Mitchell, O.B.E., was in charge of the parade. There was a smart turnout of about 300 officers and men, representing all units of the Corps.

GOVERNOR'S SPEECH

His Excellency said:—You know that I have come here to present long service medals. I do this with great pleasure—and when I say this it is not the usual empty phrase.

For many years—since I worked in the War Office ten or fifteen years ago—I have known of the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps: more recently I have seen a good deal of somewhat similar bodies among the planter and business communities of South India—very fine fellows they are. Consequently I came here with some curiosity to see the Hongkong Volunteers: and, this I am doing under very pleasant circumstances today for the first time.

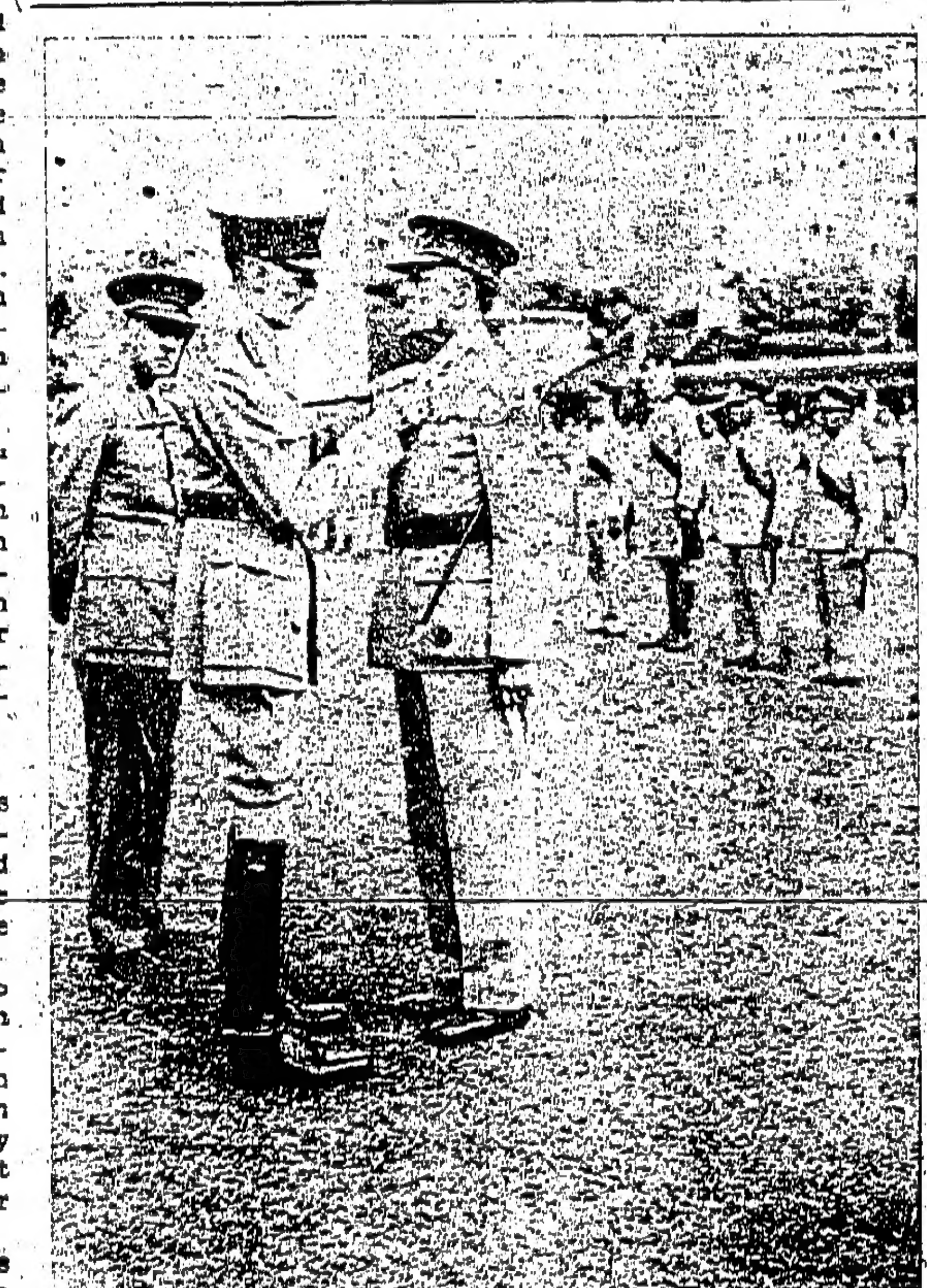
But though I have not met you collectively before I know something of your work. I have been told of the fine spirit with which you have tackled your war responsibilities and of the way in which you have "put your back into your training;" and of the high standard of discipline and general conduct you have maintained.

INITIATIVE OF CORPS

I need hardly comment—it goes without saying in a Corps so constituted—on the intelligence and initiative in the ranks of the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps.

These factors have combined to produce the great progress in efficiency which you have achieved since war was declared. I am told that this progress has been very marked and that the military value of the Corps now falls but little short of that of a regular unit.

I must congratulate you on this result. I also congratulate you in that—unlike many Volunteer Corps in the East—you have a very real and important role to train for.



His Excellency the Acting Governor pinning the Efficiency Decoration on Lieut. Col. E. J. R. Mitchell, O.B.E., in the grounds of the H.K.V.D.C. Headquarters yesterday afternoon. Also in the picture is Col. H. R. Rose, M.C., Commandant.—(King's Studio).

NEWSETTES

His many friends will regret to learn that the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, is indisposed.

The Executive Yuan on Tuesday approved of the Treaty of Amity between China and the Dominican Republic signed recently.

Mr. C. D. Culbertson, of Swan, Culbertson and Fritz, Shanghai, has gone on holiday to San Francisco.

Mr. C. V. Starr, of the Asia Life Insurance Co., Shanghai, accompanied by Mrs. Starr, have gone to the States on holiday.

Mrs. J. M. K. Ramsey, wife of Mr. N. R. Ramsey, of Carr Ramsey and Son, Ltd., left the Colony recently.

The forthcoming marriage is announced between Mr. Chen Yang-yuen, accountant, residing at No. 3 Lion Rock Road, and Miss Fung Shui-fun, of No. 1, Lion Rock Road.

The piracy trial which was to have been heard at the Criminal Sessions yesterday was adjourned to Sept. 30. Six men are charged and six counsel have been assigned for the defence.

Dr. S. G. Kirkby-Gomes, F.R.C.S., (Edinburgh), who has recovered from his recent accident, has now resumed his Monday and Thursday out-patient clinics as Honorary Visiting Medical Officer of the ante-natal clinic of the Kowloon Hospital.

Senor S. M. Camarinha, who was connected with the Brazilian Embassy at Tokyo, was a through passenger by a Japanese liner call-

H.K. FREE FRENCHMEN INAUGURATE GENERAL DE GAULLE FUND

Frenchmen in the Colony who have rallied to the banner of General de Gaulle met yesterday at the Peninsula Hotel to elect officers and discuss plans for the future.

It was decided to inaugurate a General de Gaulle Fund to aid Free Frenchmen who wished to travel to England, there to join the forces of Free France fighting for the defence of England and the liberation of their native land.

The local society, who distinguish themselves by wearing in their coat-lapels the Cross of Lorraine, the emblem of Free France, number some 30 members. It is generally felt that many other local Frenchmen will join up in due course.

Officers elected at the meeting were M. L. Blau, President; M. A. C. Morant, Vice-President; M. E. Strauss, Secretary and M. E. Givaud, Treasurer.

TELEGRAM SENT

It was decided to immediately dispatch a telegram to General de Gaulle to inform the Leader of Free France of the formation of the local society of Free Frenchmen.

A fund will also be started at the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, to be known as the "General de Gaulle Fund" from which it is proposed to raise passages to aid the journey of Frenchmen who wish to join the fighting forces to England.

One Frenchman from Hongkong will be leaving for England within the next few days, and another within the month. It is believed that there will be a number of others from here who will wish to join up for active service.

A sum of HK\$ 440 was subscribed at the meeting towards this fund.

ing at Hongkong yesterday. He has been transferred to the Brazilian Consulate, Calcutta. Arrivals yesterday by the Japanese liner were Mr. R. Dwight Hill and Mr. V. V. Cherikoff.

CANTON AIR RAID HAVOC DISCLOSED

CANTON, Sept. 18 (Reuter).—Statistics compiled by the Provincial Police Affairs Department reveal that approximately 12,000 buildings were destroyed by fire and demolished by bombs prior to the occupation of Canton by Japanese forces.

According to figures issued here there were 215,800 buildings in the city before Japanese bombing operations began in 1937. Most of the property destroyed was in the Wongsha area which suffered severely as the main Japanese objective was the railway linking Canton with Hankow.

INT'L DANUBE COMMISSION REPLACED

BRUGES, Sept. 18 (Reuter).—The Germans have virtually replaced the International Danube Commission on which Britain and France were represented by a consultative commission, permanently presided over by the German Minister, who alone has the right to convene sessions.

FRANCO-JAPANESE RELATIONS HAVE TAKEN TURN FOR WORST

VICHY RATION CARDS

VICHY, Sept. 18 (Reuter).—Ration cards will come into force next Monday, according to the Havas Agency, which states that high and illegal prices have been drastically repressed.

Since Sept. 16, 17 firms have been closed for periods up to three months and 83 sentences, varying from 1,000 francs fines to six months' imprisonment, were imposed.

EXISTENCE OF BELGIUM

LONDON, Sept. 18 (Reuter).—Replying to the statement from German sources that the Belgian Government is officially dissolved at Vichy, Belgium circles in London state that two Ministers are in London to ensure the continued existence of Belgium with the Powers.

Indo-China Situation Still Most Obscure

SHANGHAI, SEPT. 18 (REUTER).—FRANCO-JAPANESE RELATIONS REGARDING INDO-CHINA HAVE TAKEN A TURN FOR THE WORST, IT APPEARS FROM ALL REPORTS REACHING SHANGHAI.

Leading members of the Japanese Inspectorate in Indo-China have their bags all ready packed in Hanoi and other points, preparatory to leaving the country if orders are given, Reuter learns from an unimpeachable foreign source.

Various other Japanese nationals in Indo-China have received orders to hold themselves in readiness to evacuate at a moment's notice.

MOST OBSCURE

CHUNGKING, Sept. 18 (Reuter).—The situation in French Indo-China is still most obscure, writes the TAKUNGPAO in a leading article today.

All Central Government offices in Yunnan have been ordered to

evacuate to Szechuen, the paper continues. The Ministry of Education has instructed all Government universities and schools to evacuate to Szechuen while the Yunnan University will be evacuated to Kweichow.

The Indo-China railway ran a special international express on Sept. 16 for evacuation of foreign nationals.

The situation in Kunming is said to be calm, the paper adds, but the authorities are evacuating the population to the countryside.

Maj.-Gen. Nishihara, head of the Japanese Mission to Indo-China, is said to have received fresh instructions from Tokyo to resume negotiations with Indo-China.

THAI DEMANDS REJECTED

TOKYO, Sept. 18 (Reuter).—Thailand's demands for territorial concession in French Indo-China were categorically rejected by the French Government, states a Doi-mot report from Vichy.

France declared that she is "resolved to defend the territorial integrity of Indo-China against all foreign enterprises."

JOINT CONTROL

CHUNGKING, Sept. 18 (Reuter).—According to the official CENTRAL DAILY NEWS, the Japanese are demanding joint Franco-Japanese control of Indo-China and also the partitioning of the French Colony into the following three zones:—

Firstly, the northern part of the Colony to be placed under Japanese control.

Secondly, the central part to be converted into a buffer zone, and Thirdly, the southern part to be under French control.

The Japanese are also demanding the use of Hanoi as a Japanese air base with the coastal harbours and ports as Japanese naval bases.

The paper points out, however, that it has no definite information whether the above demands are incorporated in the agreement still under discussion. The paper further alleges that Japanese fifth columnists are very active in Indo-China.

J. M. Keynes Says

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seen when one takes a walk through Central London and notices how normal much of our life still is."

Mr. Keynes maintained that the main expenses would have to be met by drawing upon Britain's overseas possessions. Britain's resources drawn from overseas might give her a negative advantage, but they would prove of benefit in the long run. The costs of the war today were three times what they were last year, but the Dominions, India and the Colonies were playing an extraordinary part in solving this financial problem.

VOLUNTARY SAVINGS
Mr. Keynes next referred to Britain's budget problems and commented on the effects of voluntary savings, which he felt were insufficient. He mentioned that in Britain there were only a few articles for which they were short and, so long as that state of affairs continued, a general restriction on consumption would not be necessary.

Referring to the rise in prices, Mr. Keynes stated that this was being recovered by the Government in the shape of taxes, etc.

"Is the Government, however, getting back enough in taxes etc. to prevent this rise in prices?" he asked, and went on to declare that if the answer was in the negative, there would always be a danger of inflation and more drastic methods would have to be adopted as a remedy.

REAL TEST
The British public, he said,

RESOLVE TO CARRY ON IN LONDON

LONDON, Sept. 18 (BWS).—The department of Ministry of Labour responsible for developing Government training centres and for providing semi-skilled munition workers and supervising the increase of private training schemes which had been evacuated to the country, has been brought back to London.

The decision, says the Minister of Labour, emphasised not only the Ministry's view of the increased importance of training but also its resolve to carry on in London.

NIGHT AIR RAIDS MAINLY DIRECTED AGAINST LONDON

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An Air Ministry and Ministry of Home Security communiqué states that the air attacks by the enemy during last night were directed mainly against London.

It is feared that the casualties may be heavier than in the recent nights.

FAMOUS STORES BOMBED

In last night's raid, three famous stores in Oxford Street, London were bombed—premises of Bourne and Hollingsworth, D. H. Evans and John Lewis, known to women shoppers the world over.

British Wireless adds that Lambeth Walk Street market was one of the targets that suffered two direct hits by enemy bombs in a recent night raid.

True cockney spirit displayed itself when soon after daylight following the night bombing, the shopkeepers and stall holders were clearing away the debris and preparing to carry on and customers from the surrounding streets were crowding in to make their purchases.

SALESGIRLS AT WORK

Hundreds of salesgirls arrived normally this morning to begin work in the damaged Oxford Street stores, says Reuter.

Many sat calmly in the basements awaiting orders.

GOVT. PROPERTY DAMAGED IN MALTA

MALTA, Sept. 18 (Reuter).—Yesterday morning several enemy formations dropped bombs on Malta and damage was done to Government property.

British fighters shot down three enemy machines. One enemy pilot was taken prisoner.

In the afternoon, an enemy formation flew over the island and British fighters engaged them. The enemy retreated without dropping any bombs.

No civilian casualties were reported.

appeared to have under-estimated the expenditure on the war. The real test of inflation was the rise in prices.

Voluntary savings had, however, been on a much greater scale than they expected and he was glad to be able to say that domestic prices had remained stable.

The coming year would be the first year of real war for Britain and there was no doubt that she would be able to meet it in a strong and fortified financial position.

BLEEDING TO DEATH

NEW YORK, Sept. 18 (Reuter).—"Capitalist economy of Europe is slowly bleeding to death and the increased drain upon it has been such since the outbreak of the war that it is doubtful if Europe can endure much longer and still survive in anything like its previous economic and financial form."

The foregoing view is expressed by Mr. Wallace Deuel, correspondent of the Chicago Daily News and the New York Post, in a dispatch from Berlin.

Mr. Deuel computes the war as costing Germany four-and-a-half billion marks monthly and other belligerent and neutral states—even the United States—must be spending quite as much proportionately.

He estimates the Nazis have borrowed between 65 to 75 billion marks since they came into power.

GENERALISSIMO CHIANG CALLS FOR UNREMITTING WAR EFFORT

CHUNGKING, SEPT. 18 (CENTRAL).—A CALL FOR UNREMITTING EFFORT OF RESISTANCE IN THE MOST COURAGEOUS SPIRIT TO HASTEN THE AGGRESSOR'S DOWNFALL AND LIBERATE THE NATION, ESPECIALLY THE 30,000,000 CHINESE IN THE FOUR NORTH-EASTERN PROVINCES UNDER ALIEN OCCUPATION, is sounded in a lengthy manifesto issued by Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek to the entire nation on the ninth anniversary of the Mukden Incident in 1931.

"Glorious successes have been scored by the Chinese forces in the past three years' heroic resistance. Japan has suffered more than 1,500,000 casualties and is now bogged down in deep quagmire," Generalissimo Chiang declares.

The Generalissimo is gratified to note that in spite of the recent Japanese intensified terroristic bombings the Chinese are not intimidated or discouraged but are more calm and resolute than ever.

Japanese air attacks, according to him, were concentrated not upon any military objectives but upon cities and towns in the far rear, including Sian, Paoli and Ankang in Shensi, Kiam, Shanyao and Yintam in Kiangsi, Hengyang, Yuanling and Chihkiang in Hunan, Kweilin, Luchow, and Yishan in Kwangsi, Shikwan in Kwangtung, Lanchow in Kansu, Loyang in Honan, Chuki, Kihwa, Tanpoche and Hsienhsien in Chekiang, and Chengtu, Luhstien, Kichang, Hochwan, and Nanchung in Szechwan.

SHAMELESS TRAITORS
With the exception of a handful of shameless traitors, such as Wang Ching-wel, the Chinese everywhere are fully demonstrating their staunch spirit which is best described in the common saying, "Better be a broken jade than a whole tile."

Appealing to the Chinese in Free China to redouble their effort to rescue their brethren enslaved by the Japanese in the four north-eastern provinces, the Generalissimo said that they should be little their own sufferings from Japanese air raids and other atrocities when they think of the sufferings of their unfortunate brethren there.

Generalissimo Chiang states that he has often received reports on the conditions in the north-eastern provinces. Only a month ago he received a detailed report from a friend who came back from a hazardous investigation tour there. According to this friend, "under Japanese domination the Chinese in the north-eastern provinces have no freedom of domicile, living, speech, education, movement, marriage or burial, and there is absolutely no protection for their lives and property, while strict restrictions are imposed upon their movements and activities."

APPOINTED BY JAPANESE
Of 5,400 officials in the "Manchukuo" government 3,300 are Japanese who have the actual ruling power. All the vice-magistrates and most of the policemen are Japanese, while chiefs (street) and tsun (village) chiefs are shameless traitors appointed by the Japanese. The people are not allowed to close their door at night so that the Japanese may enter and leave their houses at will. Approval must be sought by the Chinese from the Japanese authorities for marriage.

All Chinese men up to 19 years of age are conscripted for military

or labour service. Many of them who left their homes are never heard of any more.

In the "Manchukuo" army even petty officers are Japanese. This friend saw one day a company of puppet troops at a railway station. The junior officers were all Japanese who gave orders in Japanese and mercilessly whipped the soldiers who were between 16 and 20 years old and all looked haggard and dejected.

Japanese inspectors are detailed in all "Manchukuo" police stations. There are daily arrests and torture of innocent Chinese. As a measure to check the activities of Chinese volunteers whole villages are razed to the ground and the villagers forced to remove. The people are strictly forbidden to keep arms and violation is punishable by death.

The people are not allowed to engage in industrial or business enterprises. All private-owned industries have been compulsorily purchased or confiscated by the Japanese and are now controlled and operated by them.

FATE OF PEASANTS
The fate of the peasants is even worse. Their land is often confiscated. Practically all fertile land along the south Manchuria Railway and elsewhere has been seized and assigned to the Japanese immigrants, while the Chinese land owners have been driven to the extremely cold Hei Ho regions to do hard labour.

All agricultural products are controlled and often requisitioned by the Japanese. Industrial products are also under strict control.

Owing to miscellaneous exorbitant taxes the purchasing power of the people has steadily decreased. Strict restrictions are imposed upon their purchase of daily necessities.

A Chinese in a village near Liao-yang said that the villagers had never seen any wheat flour for the last three years and only on the Chinese New Year Day was each family allowed to buy nine ounces. Manchuria is famous for soy bean, but now the Chinese peasants there have no soy bean sauce for their own use.

Chinese intellectuals are arrested and slaughtered. All teachers in middle schools and colleges are Japanese. Chinese teachers in primary schools must be well-versed in the Japanese language. Chinese pupils in primary schools must study Japanese eight hours per week. Most missionary schools have been closed down. Motion pictures are also under strict control.

"As all are descendants of Emperor Hwang Ti, the 400,000,000 Chinese in Free China should share the task to rescue their 30,000,000 brethren in

the north-eastern provinces from their present seething sufferings. They should consider sacrifice and struggle as their great duty," Generalissimo Chiang emphasises.

PRINCIPAL CAUSE

Declaring that the Mukden Incident is the principal cause for the present world disorder and unrest and that the Japanese militarists are chiefly responsible, the Generalissimo says that Japan is now condemned by the whole world and is isolated diplomatically. He urges the Chinese to do their utmost to whitewash the national humiliation and eliminate the world's public enemy.

Emphasising that an undaunted spirit is the prime factor for victory while abject surrender is most painful, Generalissimo states that all Chinese in Free China should consider it not only as their duty but also their blessing that they are able to engage in resistance at this juncture. The difficulty with which their brethren now under enemy subjugation in the North-east encounter in trying to get a chance to fight and die gloriously for the country should serve as a warning.

Reminding them of their responsibilities to their descendants, the Generalissimo says that the greater sufferings they undergo today would mean the greater blessing for the future generations. Their continuation of resistance for an additional year now would mean at least one hundred more years' freedom for their sons.

Each day passed in the war of resistance would bring nearer the restoration of China's independence and freedom, the recovery of the lost territory and the rescue of the 30,000,000 Chinese in the north-eastern provinces. Their sacrifice today is the price paid for victory in the future.

U.S. FLEET AT HAWAII

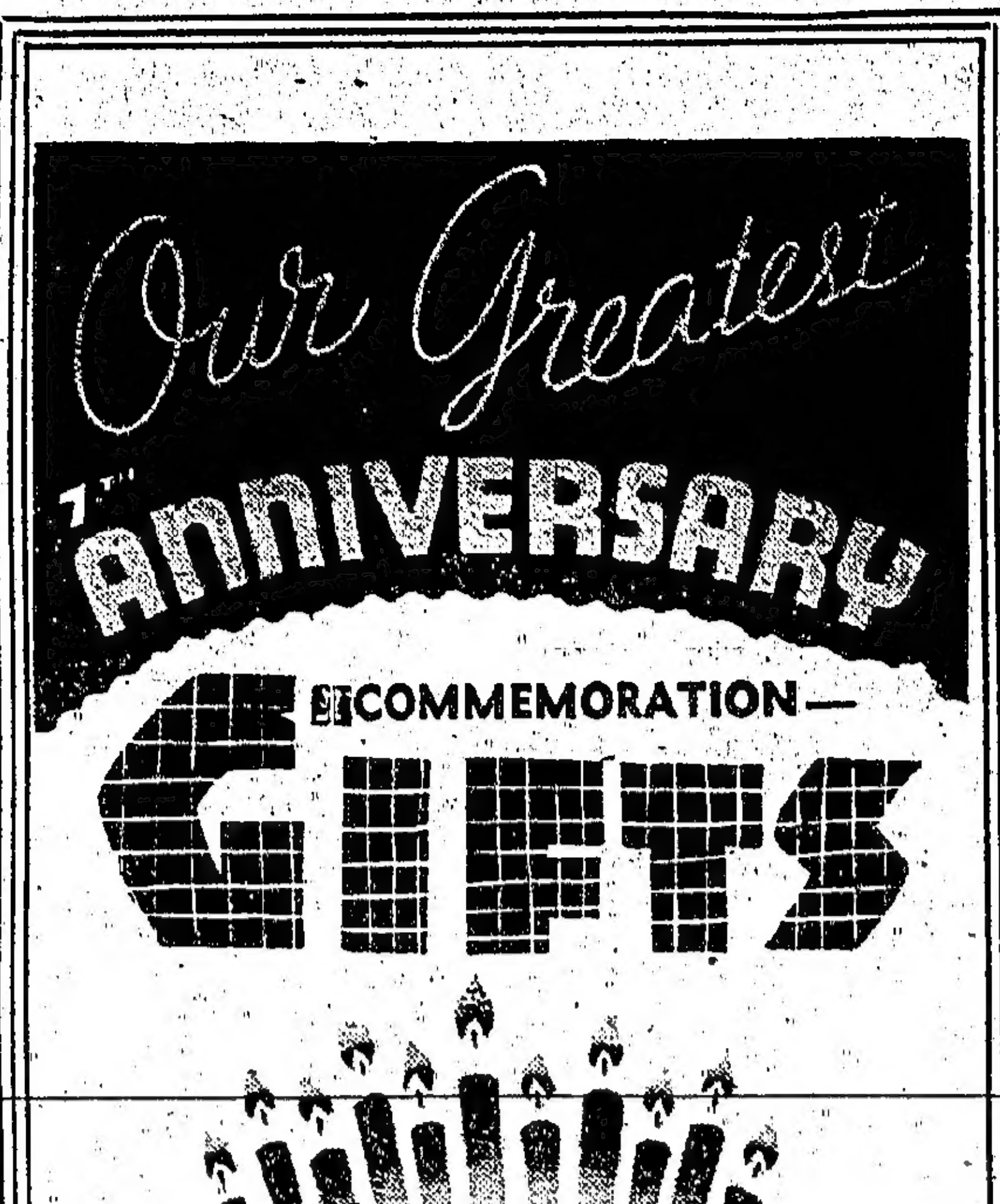
HONOLULU, Sept. 18 (Reuter).—Thirty United States warships are now proceeding to California, to enable the crews to go on leave.

This move was interpreted here as indicating that the Fleet will continue indefinitely to be based on Hawaii.

FLYING-BOAT SHOT DOWN

TANGIER, Sept. 18 (Reuter).—A British flying-boat is reported to have been shot down by a French machine off the Moroccan coast.

Two pilots were killed but the three gunners were picked up by a French submarine and they have been interned at Casablanca.



NOW PROCEEDING

YOU'RE INVITED TO VIEW OUR NEW DISPLAY OF SEASONABLE GOODS IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE CELEBRATION OF THE SEVENTH ANNIVERSARY OF CHINA EMPORIUM.

ANNIVERSARY GIFT COUPONS

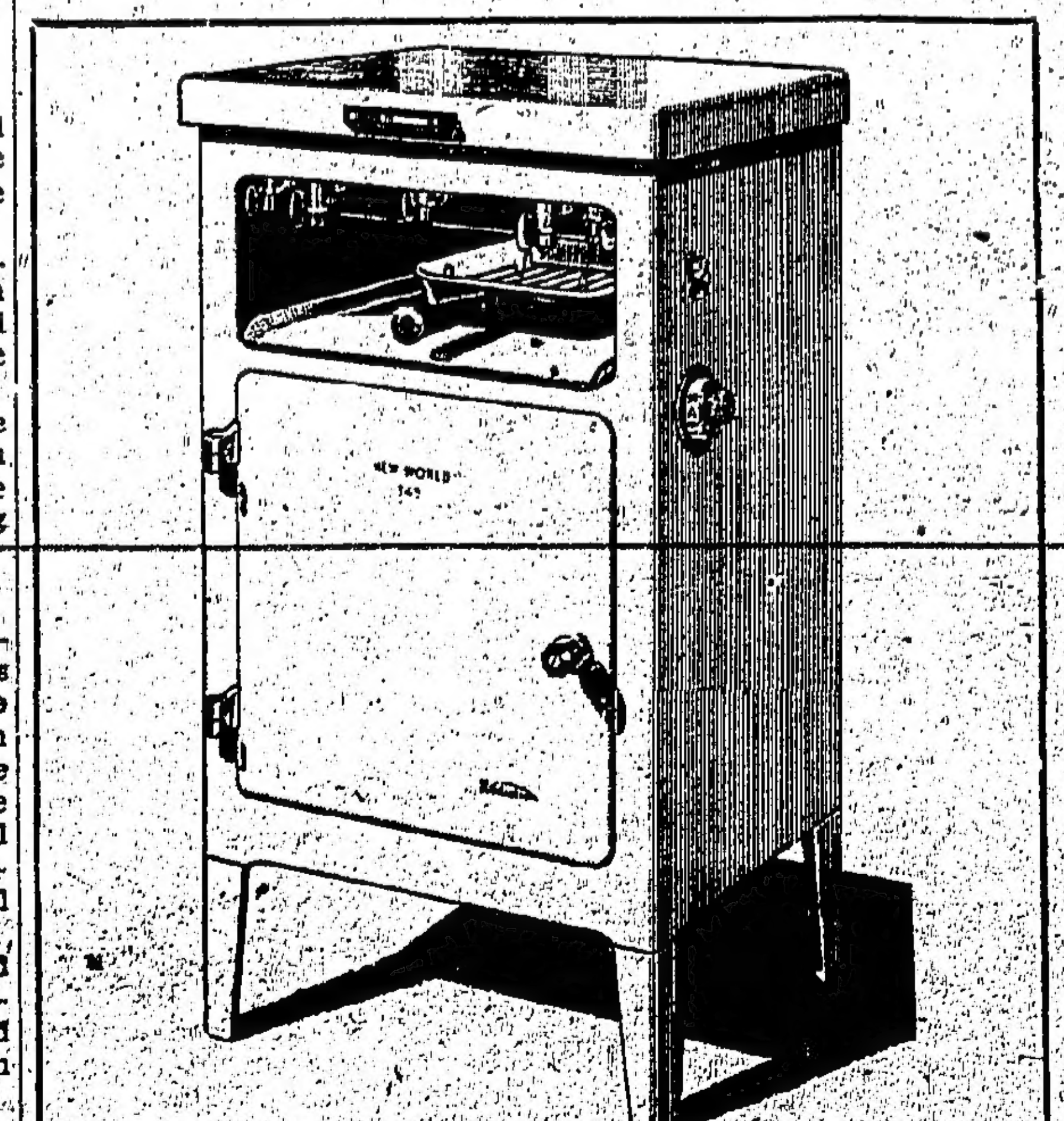
Purchasers of goods to the amount of \$1 and over will be given a coupon which may be exchanged for goods in any department of the store. The more you spend, the greater the value you'll get from your coupons in return.

Latest selection of seasonable goods have been unpacked so it is to your advantage to buy during the Commemoration period, and thus benefit by the Gift coupons.

China Emporium, Ltd.

IRISH SHIP SUNK
DUBLIN, Sept. 18 (Reuter).—The third Irish ship to be sunk by a German submarine in the Atlantic on Sept. 4, is the Linnicach and members of her crew have been landed in a Spanish port.

Running across Belchers Street yesterday evening, a girl, Tang Mui, aged six years, was knocked down and killed by lorry No. 4908, according to a police report. The body was removed to the Public Mortuary.



SEE THESE NEW GAS COOKERS AT THE HONG KONG & CHINA GAS CO., LTD.
Central Showroom—Gloucester Bldg., (Corner of East Arcade).
Telephone 24764.
Kowloon Showroom—246, Nathan Rd., (Corner of Jordan Rd.).
Telephone 57341.

LAMMERTS' AUCTIONS

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions

To Sell by

PUBLIC AUCTION

ON

Friday, the 20th September, 1940
commencing at 2.30 p.m.

at their Sales Room, No. 35, Har-
kow Road, Kowloon.

A QUANTITY OF VALUABLE
HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE

comprising:—

Chesterfield Suits, Bedsteads,
Wardrobes, Chests of Drawers,
Dressing Tables, Hatstands, Ice
Chests, Sideboards, Dinner Wag-
gons, Dining Tables, Chairs, Desks,
Cabinets, Book Cases, Fram-
bulators, Gramophones, Records,
Electric Table Lamps, and Fans,
Curtains, Ornaments, Pictures, E.P.,
Brass, Porcelain and Glass Ware,
Cutlery, Cooking Utensils, etc.,
etc.

and

A FEW PIECES OF BLACKWOOD
WARE

also

2 Iron Safes
3 "Singer" Sewing Machines
1 Adding Machine

On View from Thursday, the 19th
September, 1940.

Terms: Cash on Delivery.

LAMMERT BROS.
AUCTIONEERS.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions

to sell by

PUBLIC AUCTION

ON

Saturday, the 21st September, 1940
commencing at 10.30 a.m.

No. 3, Conduit Road.

A QUANTITY OF VALUABLE
HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE
AND ONE REFRIGERATOR

(Particulars from Catalogue)

On View from Friday, the 20th
September, 1940.

Terms: Cash on Delivery.

LAMMERT BROS.,
AUCTIONEERS.

MECHANISATION OF
INDIAN ARMY

LONDON, Sept. 18 (Reuter).—
The first of the mechanised trans-
port companies the state of
Bikaner (India) decided to raise
for the Indian Army was formed
in a much shorter time than was
estimated. It was reported yester-
day.

Recruiting, including the rais-
ing of new units, proceeds rapid-
ly.

THE WEATHER

The maximum temperature yester-
day was 84 and the minimum
77, compared to 85 and 77 on
Tuesday.

Total rainfall since Jan. 1 is
112.44 inches against an average
of 78.68.

The Royal Observatory report
states:—

"A moderate anti-cyclone is sta-
tionary over N. China and Man-
churia.

Pressure is relatively low to the
east of the southern Philippines.
The typhoon is centred a few
miles to the south-east of Tokyo,
moving rapidly N.N.E.

UNCLAIMED TELEGRAMS:
A GOOD NUMBER REACH
THEIR DESTINATION

SPECIAL TO THE HONGKONG DAILY PRESS

People who wonder what happens in due course to telegrams
that are advertised in the press as being undeliverable will be
surprised to learn that a good number of these messages do
reach their destination.

This is particularly true of messages to European address-
ees in the Colony. In the month of July, for example, a total of
20 such messages were thus advertised. Within a few days of the
advertisements, 14 of the telegrams were claimed or re-directed
to new addresses.

Of 108 telegrams advertised in
the Chinese press as being undeliv-
erable, 46 were claimed in due
course.

Thus, in one month, the Cable
and Wireless Limited, who sup-
plied our reporter with this in-
formation, were unable to deliver
only 58 messages.

When it is learned also that the
Company receives an average of
55,000 messages a month directed
to Hongkong addresses, this figure
must appear nothing short of re-
markable.

In the same month, the Great
Northern Telegraph Company ad-
vertised as non-delivered 25 mes-
sages from a total of about 17,000
received for Hongkong addressees.

Ten were claimed after the
advertisement appeared. Five
European and ten Chinese mes-
sages remain unclaimed up to
now. The addressees in each case
have either left the Colony or
were unknown at the address.

A high proportion of telegrams
addressed to Chinese in the
Colony that do not reach their
destination are messages directed
to temporary residents, the
majority of them refugees.

APPRECIABLE NUMBERS

Since the Japanese occupation
of part of Kwangtung and
Kwangsi provinces many months
ago, such telegrams, more social
than business in nature, inquiring
about the whereabouts of relatives
who have travelled to Hongkong
or elsewhere as refugees, have
come in appreciable numbers.

The telegrams reaching the local
office of Cable and Wireless from
senders' addresses in East and
West River delta towns add up to
a considerable figure.

Unclaimed telegrams to Chinese
addressees that are yet awaiting
a claimant come from such seem-
ingly out of the way places as
Wattam, Yanping, Yungfenchun,
Sunchong, Sunyi, Pingshan, Taipei,
Kukong, Swabue, Machéong,
Mulluk and elsewhere.

These places, though quite un-
known to most European residents
in the Colony, are household
words to many of the local Chi-
nese population. An interesting bit
of information is the fact that
Chinese telegraph offices at these
centres continue to operate.

Thus, it will be seen that Jap-
anese occupation of Kwangtung
is by no means complete. A few
messages continue to come in from
towns under Japanese occupation,
but these are few and far between,
the principal reason for the lack
of popularity of the service still
maintained being the cost.

Messages from territory in
South China under Japanese oc-
cupation are relayed through
Japan or Formosa, at a cost if
addressed to Hongkong of \$3.00 a
word. The normal rate, still in
force in unoccupied territory, is
\$0.40 a word.

EASILY LOCATED

Every effort is made to deliver
a telegram, and quite a few of
the addresses attached to the
messages, that would puzzle the
average man, are quite easily
located.

Years of experience have made
this possible. Where an address is
regarded locally as being insuffi-
cient, the sender is immediately
informed. Should the sender,
however, be unable to elaborate
on the address, the Company is
left with the task of locating
the addressee.

An address may state: "Mr.
Wong, Nathan Road." The sender,
not being acquainted with Hong-
kong, would think this address
sufficient. In many cases, the office
where the telegram is dispatched
may inform him of the
length of Nathan Road and the
difficulty of finding Mr. Wong
there, but not every office, again,
is aware of this fact.

Again, a good many people who
send telegrams are taking a stab
in the dark, so to speak, endeav-
ouring to locate a person they
wish to reach and who, they have
heard, is residing in a certain
street.

EVERY MR. WONG

If the street is a shorter one
than Nathan Road, such an ad-
dress may be deemed sufficient,
and an endeavour may be made

to locate every Mr. Wong, for in-
stance, in a short street in Kow-
loon Tong.

Many telegrams come, too, ad-
dressed to people who have left
the Colony or have not yet reach-
ed here. Telegrams come in some
profusion to important individuals
on their way to Hongkong.

In some instances, no local hotel
has even been warned yet of the
coming of such a person, and the
telegram may be addressed at
random to a number of the lead-
ing hotels that senders have been
able to find the address of in local
directories or in directories of
hotels that are available.

USUALLY REFUSE

Hotels usually refuse such tele-
grams while taking a note of the
addressee's name, should a tele-
gram, or other information of the
addressee's desiring to reserve a
room reach them within the next
few days.

Where a person has left the
Colony, a note may be left in his
letter-box or pushed under his
door, the probability being always
that he may have left only for
a few days and will return to
claim the telegram.

Regular customers of the tele-
graph office prove always the
least troublesome. Should they be
leaving Hongkong, they will leave
a forwarding address and the
message may be re-transmitted
to them or sent on by post as re-
quested.

In every case of non-delivery of
a telegram, the sender is infor-
med. The message will be kept for
some 18 months awaiting a claim-
ant, though instances where mes-
sages have been claimed after
more than three or four months
are very few.

Many telegrams are accompani-
ed by messages sent by post, and
should the telegram fail to reach
its destination, while the letter
does, the cabled message retains
little of value or interest to the
addressee. The local office may
later be instructed by the addres-
see to deliver the telegram, but in
many instances the addressee will
not bother about this.

NOT USED BY CRANKS

Crank do not use the cable
services. Though a message to
Napoleon Bonaparte, with local
address attached, will not be re-
fused by the sending office, no
one has ever tried to send such a
message, or a similar one address-
ed to some other notable person-
age of history, to Hongkong.

People who see fit thus to waste
their money evidently find Hong-
kong quite an unsuitable address
to their purpose, though there
have been recorded instances over
the world of such messages being
transmitted.

Before a name does appear in
the unclaimed telegram list, every
effort is made to locate the ad-
dressee and delivery boys do a
thorough job of combing local
streets for addressees.

UNCLAIMED
TELEGRAMS

The following unclaimed tele-
grams from Shanghai are lying at
the office of the Great Northern
Telegraph Company (Limited):—
Roland Lawler, Passenger, Presi-
dent Coolidge; Hu Pok Ming, Luk
Kwok Hotel, 210; Chiu Hang Hong,
c/o Chung Wah Co. Queen's Road
C.; Tsun Pok Koo, David House, 84;
Tong Tin Cheung, 78, Macdonnell
Road.

DESTROYER
NAMED
CHURCHILL

LONDON, Sept. 18 (Reuter).—
The first flotilla of American des-
troyers to join the Royal Navy
have now been given their names.
The flotilla leader is named
"Churchill"—a choice with which
no one will quarrel.

The others have been named
Caldwell, Cameron, Castletown,
Chesler, Clark and Campetown,
after towns common to both the

Searches
Carried Out
In HongkewJAPANESE STOP
ALL PEDESTRIANS
AND CARS

With strict searches being car-
ried out in the International Set-
tlement and French Concession by
the two police bodies, and Japane-
se lorry patrols combing the
western district for persons in pos-
session of fire arms, Japanese mili-
tary authorities in the area north
of the Soochow Creek have also
tightened precautionary measures
in that district, reports the North
China Daily News.

SENTRIES ON BRIDGE

Sentries on the Garden Bridge
stopped all Chinese leaving Hong-
kew and carried out minute
searches not only of their persons,
but of their belongings as well,
while soldiers on duty at the
Feron Road bridge stopped cars
and other vehicles, and made the
occupants go through the routine
of being searched. Rickshaws did
not escape the ceremony, the
passengers being asked to alight
and the vehicles themselves being
searched.

At one time, shortly after noon,
traffic came to a stand-still on the
Hongkew Creek bridge, where a
truck was held up for more than
five minutes by the Japanese sen-
tries.

CRIME REASONS

Although it is not known for
certain why these searches have
been ordered, it is believed that
these measures have been taken
for the same reason as those in
the foreign areas of the city and
the western district. Recently,
numerous crimes, from armed rob-
beries to murders, have been com-
mitted in the Japanese-occupied
district north of the Creek, and it
is presumed that these have forced
the Japanese to pay more atten-
tion to the situation.

INVASION BASES
AGAIN BOMBEDSELF-PROPELLING
BARGES ATTACKED

LONDON, Sept. 18 (Reuter).—
Daylight raids on invasion bases
are announced by the Air Ministry,
which says that daylight raids on
Calais, Ostend, Dunkirk and Veere
were carried out on Monday after-
noon by R.A.F. medium bombers.

At Veere on the Dutch island of
Walcheren, a concentration of
barges in the canal lock was bom-
bed from a low level.

Harbour installations and ship-
ping at Dunkirk and Ostend were
attacked under cover of low clouds
and at Calais a salvo of bombs was
seen to burst on the quayside of
the outer harbour.

A convoy of 12 barges and
three escort vessels was inter-
cepted and bombed off
Zeebrugge and an attack was
also made on three self-pro-
pelled barges patrolling off
Ostend harbour. These barges
opened fire on sighting our
aircraft.

REICH RAIDS

LONDON, Sept. 18 (Reuter).—
The great destructive effect of
R.A.F. raids on Germany cannot
be concealed no matter how much
the Nazi censors try to gag mes-
sages received in London yesterday
showed.

A Bala despatch said that trains
from northern and western Ger-
many were arriving up to 14 hours
late. These parts of Germany were
among those getting the very keen
attention from British bombers.

Another interesting report
came from Berlin itself to the
effect that they are transport-
ing by land giant barges from
the Baltic to the Danube
where they are badly needed
for shipments of oil and grain
from Rumania.

RAILWAYS DISRUPTED

Taking into account the wind-
ings of the Danube and the fact
that navigation of the river by the
biggest barges stops at night, rail
transport is over 10 times as fast.
It is more than probable that
the destruction of railway wagons
by the R.A.F. at least partly, was
responsible for the decision to
transport barges.

United Kingdom and the United
States.

Names on a similar basis will
be given to the others and will
also include a few names common
to the West Indies.

JAPANESE GOVT.
WANT MORE
INFORMATION

LONDON, Sept. 18 (Reuter).—In
the House of Commons yesterday
Mr. Mander asked whether a reply
had been received from the Japane-
se Government concerning the
suggestion by the British Ambas-
sador to Tokyo that importation of
oil for transport of medical supplies
to China should be made available
for the Chinese Red Cross.

Mr. R.A. Butler, replying, said
that the Japanese Government has
asked for certain further details
before giving a definite reply. He
added that it is hoped to com-
municate these details to them
shortly.

NANKING REGIME
CLEAN-UPOfficial Arrives On
"Important Mission"

CHUNGKING, Sept. 18 (Central).—
A partial reorganisation of the
bogus Nanking regime is envisag-
ed as a result of the arrival in
Nanking of Wang I-tang, Chair-
man of the so-called North China
Political Affairs Commission, im-
mediately after the return of
Chow Fu-hai, Minister of Finance,
from Peiping, according to a
Shanghai report.

Wang is said to have an "im-
portant mission," which is gen-
erally taken to mean the reorgan-

NANKING MENACED:

CHINESE TROOPS MASS ON
KIANGSU-ANHWEI BORDER

TUNKI, SEPT. 17 (CENTRAL).—HEAVY CHINESE TROOPS
ARE CONCENTRATED ON THE KIANGSU-ANHWEI BORDER,
CREATING A MENACE TO NANKING.

Under instructions of the Japanese, Jen Yuan-tao, so-call-
ed commander-in-chief of the pacification army in Kiangsu,
Chekiang, and Anhwei, has ordered a "mopping up" campaign
in order to remove the menace to the site of the Wang Ching-
wei government. He personally directed the campaign while his
two sons acted as field commanders.

The Japanese-sponsored troops
under his command pushed from
Linho to Tienchang and Lalan
but were repulsed by the Chinese
troops after several clashes.

The "mopping up" campaign
ended in failure. The Chinese
are maintaining their positions
on the Kiangsu-Anhwei border
intact, awaiting an opportune
moment to drive to Nanking.

A recent Japanese "mopping up"
campaign around Fanchang, on
the south bank of the Yangtze
River in Anhwei, 25 miles above
Wuhu, was also unsuccessful.

About 500 Japanese occupied on
September 10, Oshantung, a hill
east of Fanchang, using it as a
base for the campaign. Chinese
troops counter-attacked and en-
circled them. Over 100 casualties
were inflicted upon them. The
survivors fled.

Isolation of the Nanking regime.
The Nanking regime has been
in financial stringency for a long
time. Chow Fu-hai has exerted
great efforts in vain to cut down
expenditures.

CANTON OPIUM
MONOPOLY TO
BE ABOLISHED

CANTON, Sept. 18 (Reuter).—
Despite the fact that a monopoly
had been granted for the sale of
opium and operation of opium
divans in Canton, the Nanking
regime has established an opium
suppression bureau in the city.

It is stated that following the
establishment of the bureau the
monopoly will be abolished.

POLISH PILOTS
PRAISED

LONDON, Sept. 18 (Reuter).—
Sir Archibald Sinclair, the Air Min-
ister, has sent a telegram to Gen-
eral Sikorski, the Polish Comman-
der-in-Chief, conveying congratu-
lations to the Polish squadrons
on their "magnificent and out-
standing success" in aerial combats
and their "splendid part" in the
attack on Calais.



"Yes, the water buffalo at the
ninth must have been annoyed
BUT—you've pinched our mug!"

Finance and Commerce

H.K. STOCK EXCHANGE

There is a number of small enquiries on the market but the old difficulty of reconciling prices is again in evidence.

BUYERS
H.K. Fire Ins., \$150.
Wharves, \$91.
Docks (Old), \$16.75.
Providents, \$4.10.
Hotels, \$3.45.
Humphreys, \$7.
Trams, \$15.80.
China Lights (Old), \$8.80.
China Lights (New), \$3.75.
Electrics (Old), \$37.50.
Electrics (New), \$37.
Telephones (Old), \$23.75.
H.K. Ropes, \$5.50.
Entertainments, \$8.60.

SELLERS
Union Ins., \$405.
Wharves, \$94.
Hotels, \$3.55.
Trams, \$16.
Telephones (Old), \$24.25.

SALES
H.K. Banks, \$1310.
Trams, \$15.85.
China Lights (New), \$3.75.
Electrics (New), \$37.50.

JAPAN-N.E.I. CONFAB

LONDON, Sept. 18 (Reuter).—Economic negotiations between Japan and the Netherlands East Indies were opened at Batavia yesterday.

No communique has yet been issued about the first meeting which lasted for 1½ hours.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

LONDON, Sept. 18 (Reuter).—The Stock Exchange yesterday was mainly steady with the turn-over improving as the session progressed.

Most group finally were about unchanged on the day after a dull and easier opening.

Industrials notably improved in some sections where small net gains were recorded.

Henceforth from yesterday the market closed at 2 p.m. B.S.T. in order to facilitate trade.

Wall Street was firm.

HONGKONG SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION

Volume of Business Transacted on Wednesday, Sept. 18, 1940.

H.K. Tramways 100 15.35
..... 200 15.85
..... 300
The total value is \$4,755.00.

Railway Systems For South China?

CANTON, Sept. 18 (Reuter).—Chow Ya-yen, Vice-Minister for Railways of the Nanking "Central Government," arrived in Canton last week.

During his stay he will study the possibility of development of railway systems in South China.

HONGKONG SHARE QUOTATIONS

STOCK EXCHANGE, SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION

Buyers	Sellers	Sales	Nominal	WEDNESDAY 18 SEPT.	Buyers	Sellers	Sales	Nominal
...	Banks
...	H.K. Banks.....
...	Do. (Col. Reg.).....
...	Do. (Lon. Reg.).....
...	Chartered Banks.....
...	Maritime Bk. "A".....
...	Maritime Bk. "C".....
...	Bank of East Asia.....
...	N. C. & S. Banks.....
...	Insurance
...	Canton Insurance.....
...	Union Insurance.....
...	Underwriters.....
...	H.K. Firms.....
...	Shipping
...	Douglases.....
...	Steamboats.....
...	Indo-China (Prof.).....
...	Indo-China (Def.).....
...	Indo-China (Def.).....
...	Shells.....
...	Waterworks.....
...	Docks, Wharves, Godowns, etc.
...	H.K. & K. Wharves.....
...	Providents.....
...	H.K. Docks (Old).....
...	H.K. Docks (New).....
...	+Shanghai Docks.....
...	Mining
...	Kailans.....
...	Rauks.....
...	Hong Kong Mines.....
...	Lands, Hotels and Buildings
...	H.K. & S. Hotels.....
...	H.K. Lands.....
...	Do. 4% Debentures.....
...	Shanghai Lands.....
...	H.K. Realities.....
...	Humphreys.....
...	Chinese Estates.....
...	Cotton Mills.....
...	Ewo (S.).....
...	Shai Cottons (S.).....
...	Zong Sings (S.).....
...	Wing On Textiles (S.).....
...	Public Utilities
...	H.K. Tramways.....
...	Peak Trams (old).....
...	Peak Trams (new).....
...	Star Ferries.....
...	Y-mat Ferries.....
...	China Lights (O).....
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Reclamation Project In Saipinshan

The Szeetoo clan in Hoiping, northwest of Sunwui, Kwangtung, is planning to launch a gigantic reclamation project at Saipinshan, between Hoiping and Yangping, for the cultivation of tung trees.

Mr. Szeetoo Lung, a leading member of the clan who arrived here on Monday, revealed that a Sung Kai Tung Trees Cultivation Company will be organized. Its capital has been fixed at \$110,000 to be divided into 22,000 shares of \$5 each.

He said that the Kwangtung Bureau of Agriculture and Forestry will allot 3,000 mow of land for the project.

The uncultivated land in the Saipinshan region measures several thousand mow. An experiment to plant tung trees there has proved successful.

MAHARAJAH'S GIFT

LONDON, Sept. 18 (Reuter).—The Maharajah of Nepal has instructed the Nepalese Minister in London to present £25,000 for the relief of the East End of London.

His Majesty's Government have expressed their grateful thanks.

NAVAL BASE SITES INSPECTED

LONDON, Sept. 18 (Reuter).—A Board of American experts has reached Newfoundland to inspect naval base sites.

Anniversary Of Mukden Incident

PRECAUTIONS IN SHANGHAI

CHUNGKING, Sept. 18 (Central).—Precautions were tightened in the International Settlement, on the eve of the 9th anniversary of the Mukden Incident, says a Shanghai dispatch.

More than 20 persons were arrested yesterday morning by the S.M.C. police in Pootoo Road adjoining the western district.

Many arrests have also been made in the International Settlement and the French Concession by Japanese gendarmes accompanied by police during the past few days. Most of those arrested are understood to be members of the San Min Chu I (Three People's Principles) Youth Corps.

Strict secrecy is kept by the Japanese and the Concession authorities regarding the arrests.

NEW DEMANDS:

INDO-CHINA SITUATION TAKES SERIOUS TURN

TWO NEW DEMANDS have been presented by the Japanese to the French Indo-China Government, according to a Te. Kung Pao dispatch from Chungking.

These are: passage of 100,000 Japanese troops to the French Indo-China-Yunnan border and use of the Hanoi-Dongdang route.

The French, however, are said to permit only 12,000 Japanese troops to land and pass through Haiphong, Hanoi and Laokay.

Dongdang is to be used only as a transit centre for Japanese military supplies.

Admiral Decoux, it is stated, insists that French Indo-China should adopt "independent action" in the present crisis whether it be resistance, submission or semi-submission. Competent observers believe that the French authorities will most probably adopt the last measure.

Chinese official circles indicate that if Japanese troops are sent into French Indo-China, Chinese troops will cross the Yunnan border for self-defense as previously announced.

A Hanoi report says that owing to the present rainy season, large-scale Japanese military operations may have to be postponed to the beginning of October. Most of the highways in French Indo-China are now muddy.

EXCITING U-BOAT HUNT BY WARSHIP ON CONVOY DUTY

ABOARD A BRITISH DESTROYER ON CONVOY DUTY, SEPT. 3.—U-BOAT HUNTS AND THE MUFFLED ROAR OF EXPLODING DEPTH CHARGES were almost daily occurrences as this and other British naval ships convoyed a string of merchant vessels across the Atlantic—with one 4,000-ton freighter being sunk by a torpedo, writes Byron Taves in the Manila Bulletin.

The first real U-boat attack, in which we lost our only merchantman, came during the fifth day at sea, soon after we had picked up a big eastward bound convoy consisting of nearly 50 ships.

WE WERE PLOUGHING THROUGH HEAVY WEATHER at the tail end of a gale, far out in the Atlantic. The boat had just piped "stand-by" after the regular dusk exercise of "action stations."

DULL BOOM I was standing on the bridge when I heard a dull boom from the direction of the dark shapes strung out behind us. I turned in time to see a column of smoke rising from the side of the leading ship in the port wing of the lane, about half a mile away.

It sounded like the distant crack of a heavy gun. "Now we've started," the first lieutenant muttered, but the captain was already firing orders into the speaking tubes.

We gave a lurch like a greyhound leaving a starting-box, and the next moment our bow was scooping up mountains of sea and hurling them back in great geyser of foam and spray high over the bridge. Our decks were awash as the hunt signal was run up on the masthead and we started to dodge at 30 knots through the columns of ships.

"BROWNING SHOT" (The torpedo was what they call a "browning shot"—fired from a safe distance of probably five miles slap into the middle of the convoy. Such long-range shots, which U-boat captains have increasingly favoured lately, require the torpedo to carry a lighter explosive charge in order to make the greater distance, and thus generally have less damaging effect. For this reason many ships hit recently by torpedoes have been damaged but not sunk.)

But this was a lucky shot. It struck the 4,000-ton freighter squarely in the beam, and I saw her begin to settle immediately. Night was falling as we advanced across the bows of the straggling ships, which came on irresistibly, like company guards on parade.

The captain signalled a sloop which had joined the escort that morning to help us track down the U-boat, while another ship slewed around to pick up the survivors.

ROUGH SEAS But the gathering darkness and rough seas made the search virtually hopeless from the start.

With binoculars, I tried to pierce the murky expanse of ocean ahead, in which every wave looked like a U-boat, every white-capped like the track of a torpedo. I heard the captain murmur, "It's like looking for a needle in the haystack."

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We were just getting ready for a second attack, when a big Sunderland flying-boat zoomed overhead. Our signal lamp flashed: "U-boat around here somewhere," and the Sunderland like a big elephant banked around and started to skim the water ahead of us. As we watched, her glide around our bows, a smoke flare was dropped from her wing, and as she circled over the spot a second time, we saw a bomb leave the racks and explode dully beneath the surface.

SECOND ATTACK We then launched the second attack, this time dropping four charges over the stern. As we swung back to look at the result, we could see a patch of oil spreading slowly on the surface.

The Sunderland glided around us, then dived low over the target again, this time letting go three bombs which hit the water in quick succession and sent up spouts of water.

Just then the detectors picked up one of the clearest indications that we had during the whole hunt. It was unmistakably the U-boat at a very short range, moving slowly away from us.

There were no more indications of the U-boat after that, and in answer to the Sunderland's signal "What do you think?" the captain answered, "Think he's dead; can find no trace of him now."

The Sunderland hovered around protectively all day, and then finally slipped away for home, with the signal lamps blinking in the dusk. "Goodnight," "God bless you" we replied. "And you too," he blinked as he disappeared into the haze.

AN OIL PATCH Deep charges do not produce great geysers of water like shallow depth charges, but their effect below the surface, where the pressure is already many times that of the surface pressure, is correspondingly greater. I saw the oil patch spread.

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NAZI BOMBING OF LONDON MAY MEAN THAT THERE IS ACUTE NERVOUSNESS IN THE REICH

The intensity of the German air attacks on London decreased on Monday (Sept. 9) night, the British estimating that not over 150 enemy planes appeared over the capital, writes J. W. T. Mason in the Manila Bulletin.

This decline is understandable, because not all German pilots have received special training in night operations.

There is only a limited number of aviators sufficiently skilled to conduct operations safely in the dark, and they must be allowed to rest during periods between raids.

It is, therefore, to be expected that if the Germans plan to continue bombing London for a considerable period, the vigour of the attacks will fluctuate.

BRITISH RAIDS

British night raids over Germany maintain a more consistent level because the British use fewer planes than the Germans do, and so have more pilots for limited offensives.

Britain allows the world to know the damage done by the German raiders, but Adolf Hitler is less amenable to pressure by foreign correspondents. Little has been permitted to become known about the devastation in German cities. Civilian casualties and damage suffered by the British have been shown, while the destruction in Germany can be measured only by

bitter expressions of German anger.

However, for the first time, Germany somewhat lifted the veil hitherto concealing air raid casualties, announcing that between May 10 and Aug. 31, British bombers killed 78 children and wounded 51. British figures showed that during August, German bombers killed one child to nine adults, and wounded one child to eleven adults.

If that proportion holds for Germany between May 10 and Aug. 31, British air raids killed nearly 800 Germans and wounded over 600. Considering the smaller British squadrons used in flights over Germany, these figures may be approximately correct.

NO MILITARY PURPOSE

They explain the necessity facing Hitler and Air Marshal Hermann Goering to make some sensational move to counteract the psychological effects of night raiding. The London attacks seem to have this intent, as no military purpose is present.

In fact, Berlin announced that military operations will be resumed when the lesson in the London bombings has been learned—presumably a reference to the night bombings. For three days, strictly military operation over Britain have been almost wholly suspended—factory areas of the midlands and British ports being left largely free from attack to allow the Germans to intensify the bombing of London. Repairs of previous damage to

"WHAT A WASTE OF TIME!"

LONDON, Sept. 18 (Reuter)—A Berlin message says that the German Ministry of Interior is canvassing German officials for men willing to enter the colonial service.

It is stated in Berlin that "because final victory will mean the return of the colonies," the names of officials willing and suitable for service in the colonies are required.

The Berlin message makes no comment—but is headed "What a waste of time!"

These military centers are thus made possible without molestation.

CANNOT CONTINUE

If the German high command has not abandoned the plan to try to devastate British airdromes, factories and ports, it cannot continue indefinitely to concentrate air power on London. The operations in the past few days seem to indicate that Germany is not prepared to concentrate on two objectives simultaneously by continuous major offensives.

The more planes and pilots are used in attacking London, the less remain for purely military operations over Britain.

PROBLEM OF MORALE

The long-range artillery shelling across the channel aimed at the cliffs of Dover serves no important military purpose, and only invites British artillery retaliation. Baby Bertha cannot be substituted for air attacks if the suppression of British military power is to continue as a German objective.

By continuing to bomb London, therefore, the Germans have deviated from their main offensive purpose. This fact does not conform with German military realism. It suggests that some domestic problem of morale may have been given temporary precedence over strictly military action.

WEATHER REPORT

Hongkong Royal Observatory

10 a.m., Sept. 18.

Barometer (at sea level), 29.95 ins.

Temperature, 79 F.

Humidity, 90 per cent.

Wind Direction, E/S

Wind Force (Beaufort), 4.

Temperature; maximum yesterday, 85 F.

Temperature; minimum last night, 77 F.

Rainfall for 24 hrs. ending 10th today, 0.11 ins.

Total rainfall since January 1st, 112.44 ins.

Against an average of, 73.68 ins.

Sunset tonight, 6.24 p.m.

Sunrise tomorrow, 6.11 a.m.

4 p.m., Sept. 18.

Barometer (at sea level), 29.87 ins.

Temperature, 83 F.

Humidity, 76 per cent.

Wind Direction, ESE

Wind Force (Beaufort), 5.

Maximum temperature, 84 F.

Minimum temperature, 77 F.

Rainfall, nil.

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From 19 to 25 Sept. 1940

Days of Week	Date	HIGH WATER		LOW WATER	
		Hong Kong Standard Time	Height	Hong Kong Standard Time	Height
Thur.	19	10.54	6.1	04.35	2.5
		22.44	6.4	16.42	2.8
Fri.	20	11.25	5.8	09.14	2.3
		23.04	6.5	17.03	3.0
Sat.	21	11.55	5.4	05.56	2.6
		23.27	6.8	17.37	3.4
Sun.	22	—	—	06.42	2.8
		12.37	4.9	17.42	3.7
Mon.	23	00.02	6.6	07.35	3.9
		13.40	4.6	17.40	4.0
Tues.	24	00.47	6.7	08.58	3.0
		15.17	4.4	18.08	4.2
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		17.27	4.4	18.33	4.4

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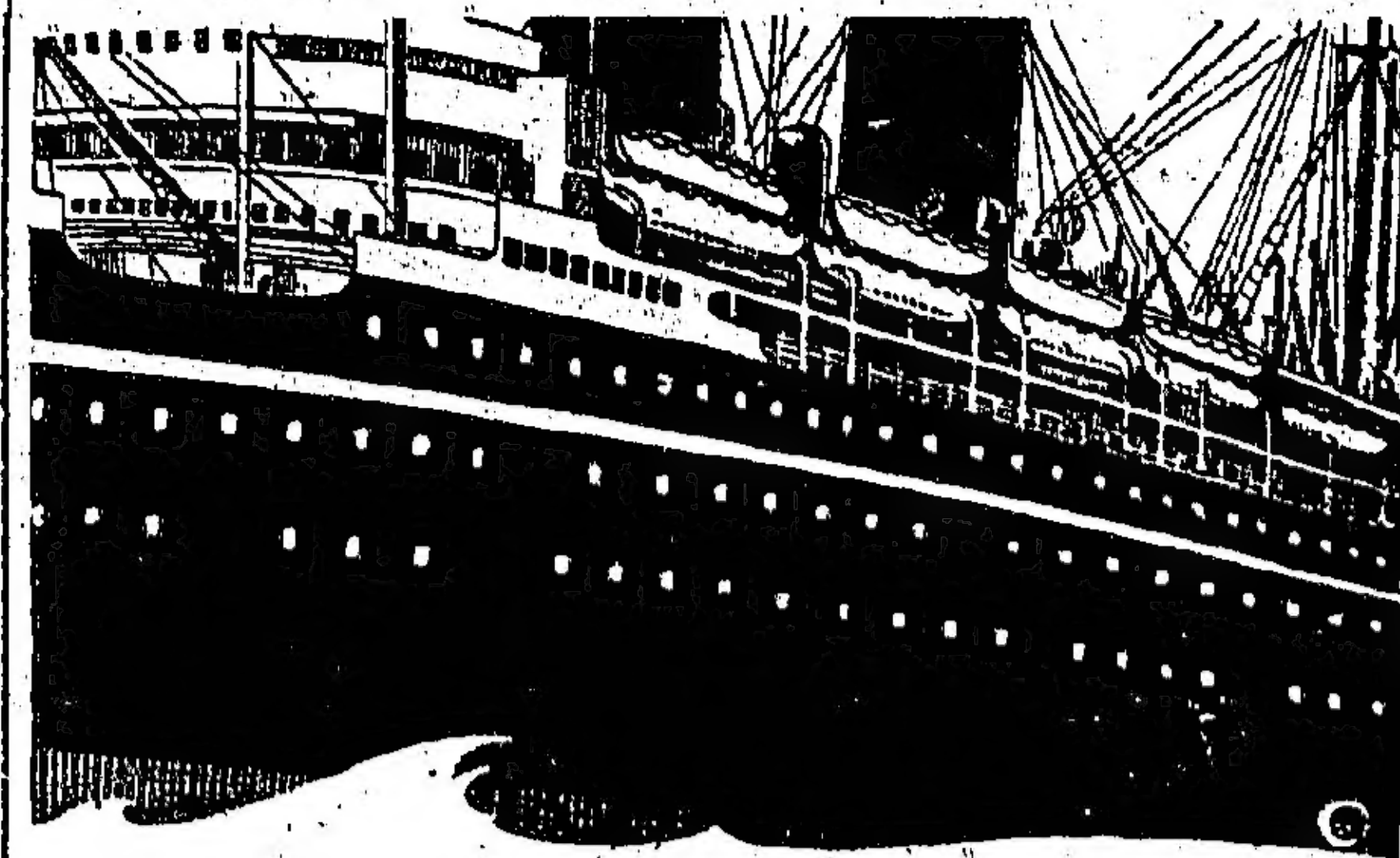
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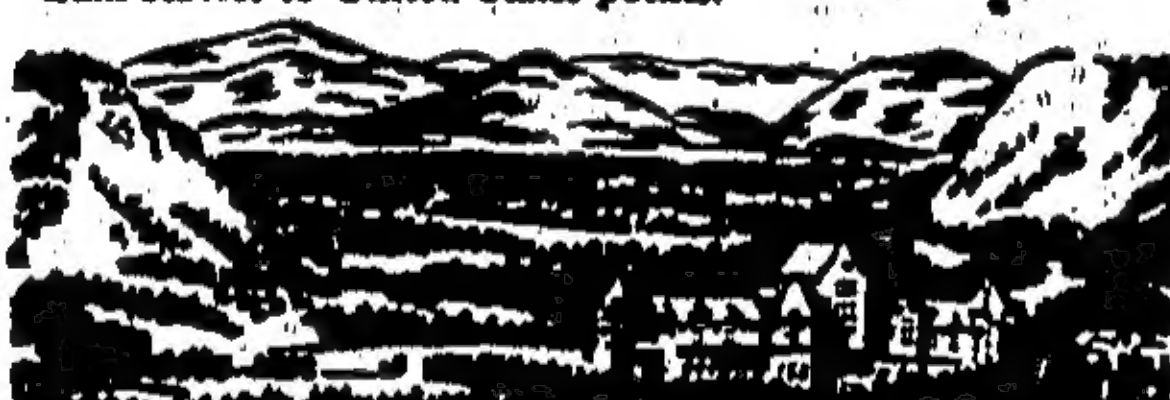
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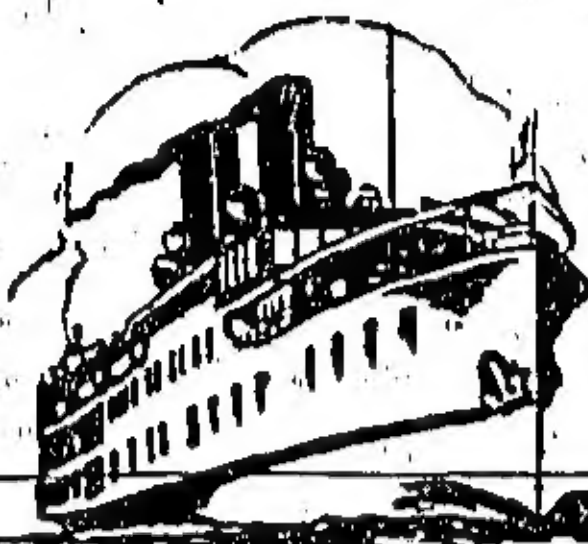
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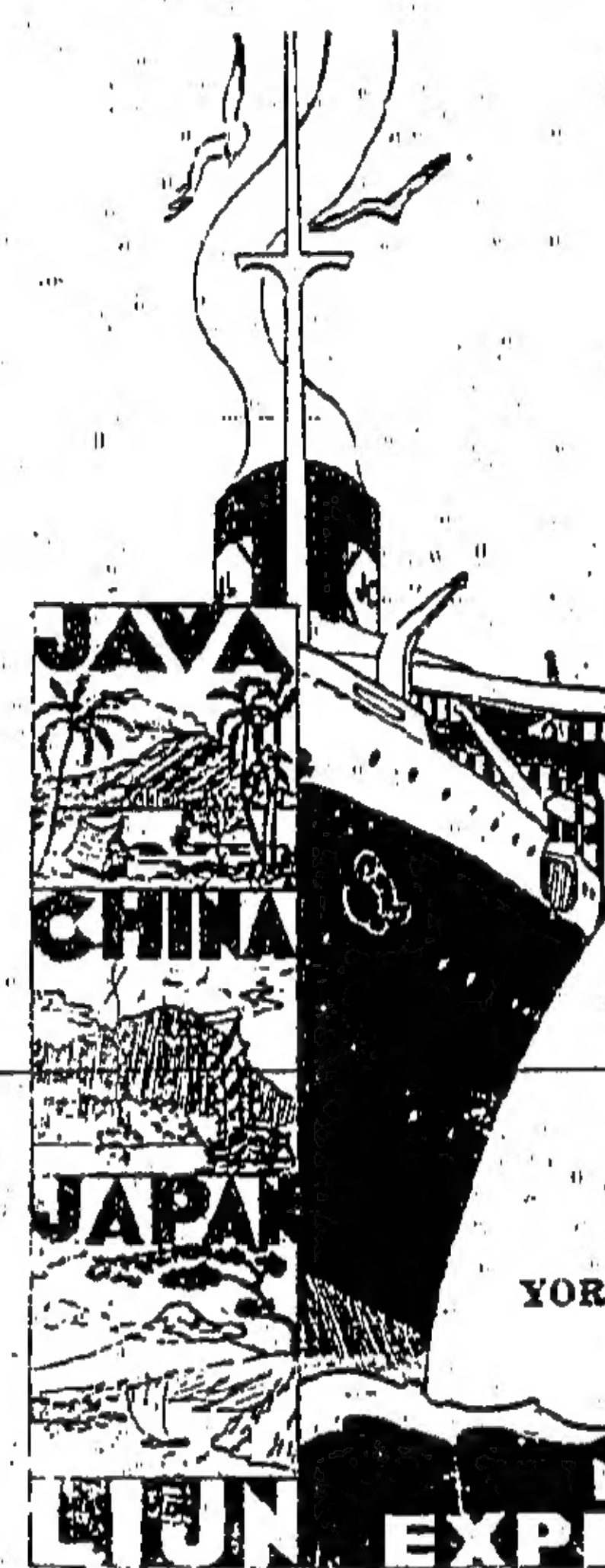
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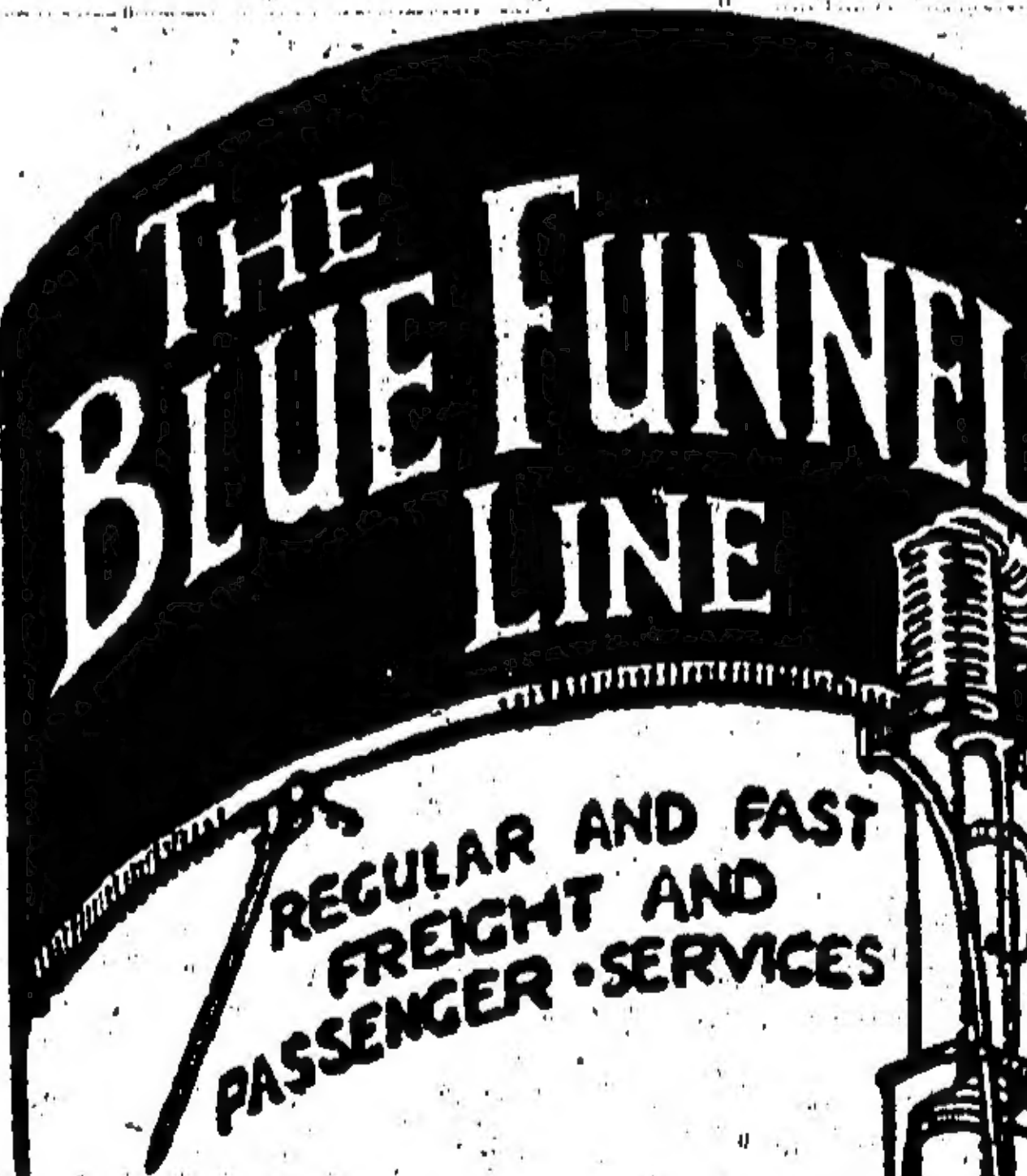
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Inter-Unit Swimming Championship

KEEN COMPETITION IN ARMY POOL

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The best race of the series was Heat No. 1 of the 396 yards free style relay (Large Units) in which 2nd Bn. Royal Scots just managed to win from Combined Small Units by a touch after a most thrilling struggle.

In the first heat of the 396 yards free style relay (Small Units) Hongkong Singals Co. were unfortunate to be disqualified for a breach of the rules after their team had won by more than 15 yards.

RESULTS

Results were—

1. 396 yards free style relay (Small Units) (Team of 6): Heat No. 1: 1. H.Q.W. Royal Scots; 2. 12th Heavy Battery. Time: 4 mins. 25 2/5 secs. Heat No. 2: 1. 7th A.A. R.A.; 2. 30th Heavy Battery. Time: 4 mins. 42 2/5 secs.
2. 198 yards medley relay (Large Units) (Teams of 3): Heat No. 1: 1. Combined Small Units; 2. 5th A.A. Regt. R.A. Time: 2 mins. 33 4/5 secs. Heat No. 2: 1. 2nd Bn. The Royal Scots; 2. 12th Heavy Regt. R.A.; 3. 1st Bn. The Middlesex Regt. Time: 2 mins. 32 3/5 secs.
3. 792 yards free style relay (Large Units) (Teams of 4): Heat No. 1: 1. 1st Bn. The Middlesex Regt.; 2. Combined Small Units; 3. 12th Heavy Regt. R.A. Time: 12 mins. 17 2/5 secs. Heat No. 2: 1. 2nd Bn. The Royal Scots; 2. 5th A.A. Regt. R.A. Time: 12 mins. 8 2/5 secs.
4. 396 yards free style relay (Large Units) (Teams of 6): Heat No. 1: 1. 2nd Bn. The Royal Scots; 2. Combined Small Units. Time: 4 mins. 20 secs. Heat No. 2: 1. 12th Heavy Regt. R.A.; 2. 1st Bn. The Middlesex Regt.; 3. 5th A.A. Regt. R.A. Time: 4 mins. 41 4/5 secs.
5. 396 yards free style relay (Large Units) (Teams of 4): Heat No. 1: 1. 1st Bn. The Middlesex Regt.; 2. Combined Small Units. Time: 5 mins. 13 1/2 secs. Heat No. 2: 1. 2nd Bn. The Royal Scots; 2. 8th Heavy Regt. R.A.; 3. 5th A.A. Regt. R.A. Time: 4 mins. 48 1/5 secs.

The above are the finalists for

DISAPPOINTMENT FOR CROWD AT AQUATIC HEATS

Fans who packed the stands at the Victoria Recreation Club last night in anticipation of seeing some good swimming in the second day's heats of the Colony championships were sorely disappointed when it was announced that owing to the withdrawal of Robert Chan (Chinese Bathing Club) from the men's 440 yards free style, it was not necessary to hold any heats for this event.

Only heats in the ladies' 100 yards breast stroke were decided. In the first, Miss Lee Po-luen, reigning "mermaid" from S.C.A.A., made an impressive debut by taking first place in the first time of 85 secs.

Miss Ko Mei-ling, crack sprinter of Lai Tsun, gave a magnificent performance in the other heat to beat the Colony sprint champion, Miss Vivienne Churn, by about a length. Miss Churn displayed what advantage the "butterfly" stroke has over the orthodox breast stroke in regard to speed. On the other hand she also proved that the "butterfly" stroke is only effective for short distances.

Miss Churn was led in the first two laps by Misses Ko and Ho but switching from the breast to the "butterfly" on the third lap she not only made up for lost ground but managed to draw almost level with Miss Ko who was in the lead. Her exertion in the third lap, however, proved too much for her and she failed to pass Miss Ko who came home winner by about a length.

RESULTS

1. Boys' 100 yards breast stroke (Handicap): Heat No. 1:—1. H. Silva, 2. Y. Yvanovich, 3. J. Gomes. Time: 1 min. 20 2/5 secs. Heat No. 2:—1. J. Roza-Perera, 2. R. Sequeira. Time: 1 min. 34 4/5 secs.
Ladies' 100 yards breast stroke (Colony championship): Heat No. 1:—1. Miss Lee Po-luen, 2. Miss Au Mei-chuen, 3. Miss Yu Pui-luk. Time: 85 secs. Heat No. 2:—1. Miss Ko Mei-ling, 2. Miss Vivienne Churn, 3. Miss Ho Wai-man. Time: 89 2/5 secs.
*Finalists.

today's events which will commence at 2.30 p.m.

At the conclusion of the meet prizes will be presented by H.E. Maj.-Gen. A. E. Grasset, D.S.O. M.C.

VALLEY TRAINING GALLOPS

The following times were clocked during the training gallops held at Happy Valley yesterday morning:—

	Dis- tance	1st Qr.	2nd Qr.	3rd Qr.	4th Qr.	Last Qr.
Piccadilly Jim	1	29	1.00.2	1.31.3	2.00.3	29
Eve of Folly & Eve of Dancing	1	35.2	1.10	1.42.4	2.14	31.1
Sydney Lad	1	30.2	58.4	1.27.2		28.3
A Roaring Time	1	36	1.08.2	1.36.4		28.2
Jobor	1	31	1.02.2	1.36.3	2.08.2	31.4
Contact	1	36	1.11	1.47	2.21	34
Half-Moon Eve	1	36.3	1.11	1.42.2		31.2
Ascot Day	1	33.2	1.06.1	1.36	2.03.4	27.4
Comedy Star	1	39	1.14.2	1.48.4	2.20	31.1
Celtic Star	1	42	1.23	1.57	2.30	33
Thirty Six & Patricia	1	33.2	1.06	1.37.2		31.2
Derby Day	1	33.1	1.03	1.31		28
Strathannock	1	38	1.11.2	1.45	2.18	33
Surprise Again & Longdon	1	37.2	1.11.2	1.42	2.09.2	27.2
Just in Time	1	34	1.07	1.39.1		32.1
Centre Court	1	35.2	1.10	1.44	2.13.2	29.2
Winfred	1	35	1.06	1.33		27
Tornado Star	1	39	1.18	1.49.4	2.19.4	30
Hillsboro Bay & Galveston Bay	1	34	1.08.2	1.42.1	2.14.3	32.2
For All Time	1	37	1.11	1.44.3	2.15.3	31
Hughber	1	38	1.09.2	1.40		30.3
Ascot Vale	1	34	1.10.3	1.45.3		35
March Brown	1	37.3	1.15.3	1.47.3		32
Pumelo	1	29	59	1.28.3		29.3
Viceroy	1	33.2	1.01.4	1.27.3		25.4
Grand Allegiance	1	32	1.04	1.31.4		27.4
Clowner	1	43.1	1.20.1	1.59	2.36.3	37.3
Red Feather	1	35.3	1.08.1	1.38.1		30
Resisting Time	1	39.3	1.12	1.47.3	2.19	31.2
Blue Gate	1	42	1.16.4	1.48.1		31.2
Criffel	1	30	58.2	1.25.3		27.1
Victoria	1	40	1.16.2	1.52	2.25.2	32.2
Phoenix & Royal Highness	1	39	1.14.3	1.50.1	2.24.3	34.2
Taxing Master	1	34	1.07.4	1.38.1		30.2
Eve of Hunting & Eve of Peace	1	33.2	1.04.3	1.37.2		32.4
Pinfarthings	1	38.4	1.08	1.38.4		30.4
Rose Emily & Boolat Bay	1	38	1.12.4	1.43		30.1
Double Finesse	1	32	58.3	1.28.3		28
Sea Jay	1	32	1.01.3	1.29.2		27.4
Attacking Time & Smiling	1	33.2	1.08.1	1.44	2.18.2	34.2
Salvage Master	1	36.4	1.12	1.44.3		32.3
Brown Derby	1	34	1.07.3	1.35.1		27.3
Emergency Call	1	42.2	1.24	2.02.3	2.36	33.2
Ebony Idol	1	35.3	1.12.2	1.47.4		35.2
Amber II	1	41	1.24	1.58	2.28.1	30.1
Chatter Box	1	34	1.12	1.47.3	2.21.3	34
Gold Coin	1	38.2	1.12.4	1.47.2	2.20.4	33.2
Tarzan	1	31.3	1.04	1.32.2		28.2
Golden Cow	1	35.4	1.12.2	1.47		34.3
Australian Diamond	1	37.3	1.09.1	1.38.2	2.05	28.3
West Lake & Lancashire Chap	1	33.3	1.08.3	1.41.4		33.1
Income Tax	1	38	1.11	1.42.1	2.09.2	27.1
Guinness Time & Willynilly	1	35.1	1.10.1	1.44.1	2.16	31.4
Sylvandale	1	42	1.25.3	2.12.3	2.47.2	34.4

Washington Interested In Suner's Berlin Trip

END OF SPANISH NEUTRALITY?

WASHINGTON, Sept. 18 (Reuter)—The capital is evincing considerable interest in the visit to Berlin of Senor Suner, Spanish Minister of Interior.

Announcements that he is discussing more than domestic issues have convinced many observers that General Franco's neutrality is rapidly coming to an end and that the Axis has managed to bring sufficient pressure to force his entry into the war on the side of Germany and Italy.

It is realised in Washington that this should make possible a formidable attack on Gibraltar as it is widely believed that very large German forces are now on Spanish soil.

These possibilities, added to private reports from France that Vichy is strongly resisting the German peace terms and may flatly reject them, lead many in Washington to believe that swift changes in the Western European line-up are more than possible—even probable.

AXIS ATTACKED

Colour is given to these beliefs by reports that the French Air Force in Morocco is already attacking the Italians in Italy and German-occupied France.

Reports from France indicate the possibility that if the German demands are pressed too far the Petain Government will fall and some government will be established in North Africa which might lead to the renewal of the alliance with Britain thus strengthening the Allies and embarrassing Mussolini in Africa.

MYSTERY WARSHIPS

Every move is being closely watched anxiously including the recent passage through the Straits of Gibraltar of six French warships without molestation by British guns.

This is thought to indicate that the British Command was fully aware of the purpose of the warships sailing, and it is suspected that reports from German sources that they were proceeding to Dakar were designed to elicit some statement from London which would give Berlin an inkling of the real purpose of their voyage.

U.S. BASEBALL RESULTS

NEW YORK, Sept. 18 (Reuter)—The following are the results of matches played in the U.S. Baseball Leagues yesterday:—

NATIONAL

	R.	H.	E.
Chicago	9	14	1
Warstler and Liber homered.			
New York	8	13	3
St. Louis	5	7	1
Lamer pitched.			
Brooklyn	0	5	1
Cincinnati	2	7	1
Philadelphia	1	5	0
Pittsburgh	5	12	2
Dimaggio homered.			
Boston	10	14	0
West homered.			

AMERICAN

	R.	H.	E.
New York	9	10	0
Donald pitched.			
St. Louis	0	4	4
Philadelphia	4	9	3
Cleveland	3	9	3
Washington	3	7	1
Early homered.			
Detroit	6	6	1
York homered.			

SIDI BARAANI OCCUPIED

LONDON, Sept. 18 (BWS)—A Cairo communique states: "Continuing their advance along the coastal belt, two enemy columns supported by strong forces in the rear occupied Sidi Baraani on Monday evening. "Throughout the day, the enemy sustained heavy losses from bombing and harassing action by the advanced elements of our tanks and artillery. "There is nothing to report on the other fronts."

FOREIGN MAILS

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From	Due
U. S. A., Japan and Shanghai (Seattle date, 18th August)	19th Sept.
Australia and Manila	19th Sept.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Service"	20th Sept.
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service," San Francisco date 14th September.	21st Sept.
Java and Manila	21st Sept.
London and Straits	22nd Sept.
London and Straits	22nd Sept.
U.S.A. and Manila (San Francisco date, 31st Aug.)	23rd Sept.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Service"	24th Sept.
Sandakan	24th Sept.
London and Straits	26th Sept.
U. S. A., Honolulu, Japan, and Shanghai (San Francisco date, 6th September)	26th Sept.
Canada, U.S.A., Japan, and Shanghai (Vancouver B. C. date 7th September)	27th Sept.
Formosa	28th Sept.
U.S. A., Honolulu, Japan, and Shanghai (San Francisco date, 1st September)	28th Sept.
London and Straits	19th Sept.
Java and Manila	1st Oct.
Calcutta and Straits	6th Oct.

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For	Date and Time
THURSDAY	Thu. 19th
Formosa, Japan, Honolulu, U. S. A., Canada, Central and South America and "United - Kingdom via San Francisco"	G.P.O. & K.P.O. Reg. 9.45 AM Ord. 10.30 AM
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa.	3.30 PM
FRIDAY	Fri. 20th
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa, and United - Kingdom.	G.P.O. & K.P.O. Par. 18th 5.00 PM Reg. 19th 5.00 PM Ord. 20th 8.30 AM
	K.P.O. Parcels 4.00 PM Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 5.30 PM
	G.P.O.
Manila, Australia, and New Zealand via Thursday Island	Parcels 4.00 PM Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 7.00 PM
SATURDAY	Sat. 21st
Straits, Rangoon and Calcutta.	Parcels 5.00 PM Letters 5.30 PM
	K.P.O. Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 5.30 PM
	G.P.O.
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, U. S. A., & Europe via "Pan American Airways and Trans-Atlantic Services"	Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 5.30 PM
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Air Mail for Indo-China, Malaya, Java and Australia by the "Imperial Airways Service."	G.P.O. & K.P.O. Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 5.30 PM
TUESDAY	Tue. 24th
	K.P.O. Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 5.30 PM
	G.P.O.
Airmail for "Imperial Airways Service" to Durban and thence by Sea Service to United - Kingdom	Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 7.00 PM
THURSDAY	Thu. 26th
Sandakan	8.30 AM
FRIDAY	Fri. 27th
Manila, Batavia and Sourabaya	8.30 AM
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa and United - Kingdom	G.P.O. & K.P.O. Par. 26th 5.00 PM Reg. 27th 9.45 AM Ord. 27th 10.30 AM
SATURDAY	Sat. 28th
Calcutta	Par. 27th 5.00 PM Let. 28th 8.00 AM
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa.	3.30 PM
WEDNESDAY	Wed. Oct. 2nd
	K.P.O. Reg. 9.45 PM Ord. 3.30 PM
	G.P.O.
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island	Reg. 2.45 PM Ord. 3.30 PM
THURSDAY	Thu. 3rd
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mombasa, Beira, Lourenco-Marques, East and South Africa. Via Durban	3.30 PM
	K.P.O. Parcels 4.00 PM Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 5.30 PM
	G.P.O.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu U.S.A., Central and South America and "United - Kingdom Via San Francisco (No Mail for Canada)"	Par. 3/10, 5.00 PM Reg. 4/10, 8.45 AM Ord. 4/10, 9.30 AM
FRIDAY	Fri. 4th
Manila, Raham, Australia and New Zealand via Brisbane	G.P.O. & K.P.O. Par. 3/10, 5.00 PM Reg. 4/10, 8.45 AM Ord. 4/10, 9.30 AM

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